

Jazz Tappin Dance Academy

2022 Recital Packet

Dear Parents,

We are so thrilled to have you with us for another exciting event! In this packet you will find everything you need to have a smooth and organized recital experience! Keep a highlighter handy to mark any important information you want to remember or questions you have while reading. We are here to help, so please do not hesitate to ask! Thank you so much for your cooperation and support throughout the past year. Your continuing cooperation and understanding is essential to the success of our shows. By working together, our dancers will have a very rewarding experience. After all, that's what it is all about!

Rehearsal	<p>Friday, May 6th at the Sanford Performing Arts Center</p> <p>Show One Dancers- 5:00- We will run thru finale first, and then do all dances in order for the show after that. So once your dancer has done both their dances, they will be all set to go!</p> <p>Show Two Dancers- 6:15- We will run thru finale first, then run the show in order. Once you have completed your dances, you are all set to go!</p> <p>The rehearsal will start with the finale, and after that go in the order of the show, so everyone must be there on time. <u>NO COSTUMES</u> at rehearsal. Just wear regular dance wear you would wear to dance class, no jeans etc. This is a great chance to wear your <u>recital tees!</u> Dancers are all set to leave rehearsal as soon as they have done all of their dances they are in and Miss Kendra hasn't told your class that needs to be done again.</p> <p>Show One Rehearsal- dancers will be held in our backstage holding area for rehearsal so they practice it just like it is recital day. Parents, please bring your dancer and follow the Dancer check in signs to the backstage hallway. Please bring their dance bag with them so we have their dance shoes. Parents will then go back to the auditorium to watch rehearsal. Once they have danced both their dances, you may go back to the backstage area to pick them up!</p> <p>Show Two rehearsals- You will be in the auditorium. Once the show one rehearsal is completed, dancers will sit on the lower level towards the left side when looking at the stage. (please wait until show one rehearsal is completed before doing this) From there we will take attendance and call you up class by class. We will run thru finale first, then the rest of the show in order. Once you have completed your dances you are all set to go.</p>
Show Times	<p>Saturday, May 7th at the Sanford Performing Arts Center.</p> <p>Show One is at 3:00- doors open at 2:15. All dancers that are in show one must be there by 2:30 and checked in and sitting with their class. (follow the dancer check in signs!)</p> <p>Show Two is at 7:00- Doors open at 6:00. All dancers in show two must be there by 6:30 the latest.</p>
Recital Tickets	<p>If you have not done so yet, be sure to go online to purchase your recital tickets! Show Two at this time is SOLD OUT! If you have an emergent need for tickets, please reach out to Miss Kendra so she can problem solve for you!</p>
Costume Tips	<p>If your costume needs to be fluffed out or has some wrinkles- hang your costume in the bathroom while you take a hot shower. The steam from the shower will help! (just don't put them in the shower!) DO NOT IRON your costumes! Make sure on those little ones costumes their tutus are nice and fluffed up!</p>

Arrival To Recital:	<p>ALL dancers should arrive to show in costume for their first dance! Show ONE: All dancers that are in show one must be there by 2:30 to get checked in sitting with their class. When arriving dancers will go with one female guardian to the check in table in the backstage holding area (follow the dancer check in signs). Dancers will get settled in with their class and parents will go to the auditorium to watch. At the end of the show, the guardian who checked the dancer in will meet back in the check in area to check them out from their class assistant!</p> <p>Show TWO: All dancers in show two must be there by 6:30 the latest. Dancers will follow the dancer check in signs to the check in table. From there they will find their class and get settled in. If they have more than one costume, they can bring their garment bag into the dancer changing room to get their costumes ready. After the show, following the finale dancers will go back to the backstage holding area, gather all their belongings and one female guardian can come back to get them.</p>
During the Show	<p>No parents or visitors will be allowed backstage before (besides getting their dancer checked in) or during the performance. Students are to stay in backstage holding area during the entire show.</p> <p>Please bring a quiet activity for your dancer to do while they are waiting for their dance. Coloring- NO MARKERS! Bring small puzzles, games, etc. Bringing ipods, ipads, phones etc are not a good idea. If something happens to it or it gets lost we are not responsible. Bring pretzels/crackers for snacking. No fruit juices or soda that will stain- water is fine. Remember that your dancer is in costume and we do not want any mess.</p> <p>Be sure that your dancer has ALL costume parts, accessories, the right color tights and the dance shoes that they need. Also be sure to put your dancers name in all of their shoes and costumes. Be sure they don't have any fake tattoos or marker drawings on them. NO GUM ALLOWED!</p>
Backstage Area	<p>The backstage holding area for our dancers will be closed off during the entire show. Only dancers will be allowed in the hallway and backstage space. No visitors will be permitted. This is to ensure your dancer is safe and accounted for at all times. We have assistants and alumni to help out with any costume and shoe changes. For parents of the little ones- we have your seat # so if we need to come get you for any reason, we will be easily able to find you.</p>
Hair and Makeup	<p>We don't require dancers to wear their hair and makeup a certain way for the show. For little ones, usually light makeup, a little blush so they do not get flushed out under the lights. For the older ones, a little heavier than everyday makeup. For hair- ALL dancers MUST have hair up and off of the face, NO HAIR DOWN. Also be sure to get bangs off the face so we can see you!</p>
Checklist to pack for Recital:	<p>All costumes and accessories, dance mask, tights, dancers shoes, safety pins and bobby pins, hair spray, water, something to keep your dancer busy.</p>
Helpful hints for fast costume changes at Recital	<p>The best way to master the art of quick change is practice! Write down your order of dances, grab a timer and start practicing! Make sure to practice everything- tights, undergarments, costume, hair accessory and shoes! A good quick change should be done in under 3 minutes! Untie your shoes! Make sure your shoes are untied before you are trying to put them back on again! Also if you are cutting it close- get backstage with your shoes in your hand. While you are waiting to go onstage you can get your shoes on and people will be around to help you out! For older dancers- we suggest our older dancers who need to change costumes get a nude colored spaghetti strap leotard. These can be bought from many dance wear sites online and also thru amazon etc. This will help keep changes fast so dancers are not all waiting to use a bathroom stall to change in.</p>

Stress Free Environment	We do our best to create a happy, relaxed and stress-free show for everyone. We understand that excitement can cause nerves for the dancers and parents but as a studio we do expect everyone to be respectful of the facility, the other parents, the other dancers, and our studio staff as well. Dancers are to be on their best behavior in the dressing room. Please be supportive and encouraging to everyone around you. Do what you can to help each other out, set a good example and create great memories!
Helpful Tips!	Place all loose costume accessories (hair pieces, etc) in a zip lock bag with name of the dance and dancer's name on front. Attach the bag directly to that costume's hanger. Place your dancer's name in EVERY item they bring to the Show. (Shoes, costumes, accessories, etc.) For Show two dancers in multiple dances with costume changes- bring all costumes hanging in order in garment bag! Another great tool for dancers with several changes is to send them with a plastic laundry basket or bin. Tell them after each routine to take everything off quickly and toss it right into the bin/basket. This way they don't have to worry about hanging things up or misplacing anything. (They have the little pop up laundry bins at dollar tree that are perfect for this!!!)
Keep In Mind	Please make sure dancers have removed any rub on tattoos, marker or pen drawings and have NO GUM for recital day! Older dancers- please keep in mind what type of undergarment you are wearing under your costume. Use safety pins to hide and tuck any bra straps etc. Be mindful of what your costume is like and please wear black, tan, or nude colored undergarments that fit with your costume properly. Also be sure that your undergarments offer plenty of "support" where it is needed!
IMPORTANT	A few rules we need to follow- We are peanut free backstage! We do have some dancers with peanut allergies so keep this in mind when packing snacks. SPAC is GLITTER FREE! <u>Do not spray glitter</u> of any kind on your dancers body, hair or costume. This is a strict rule they have- if we do not abide by it we will not be allowed to use the space again.
Show Two Dancers	Show Two dancers need to have black leggings and their recital tee shirt for the finale. They can wear jazz shoes or roll up their transition tights to go barefoot for this dance. If they wear black leggings as a part of one of their costumes they can wear them for finale as well!
Audience Etiquette	NO flash photography is permitted during the performance. The flash can be blinding on stage and we do not want any dancers getting hurt. Theater etiquette is different from a sporting event. Enthusiastic applause is appreciated. We have great respect for our dancers and the hard work they put in to produce a show like this! As a studio we treat dance as an art form and appreciate your generous applause before and after each performance! It will feel amazing for our dancers to get to perform in front of an audience! Help them feel the love and celebrate how hard they have worked all year long. Courtesy is contagious. If the adults practice courtesy, the children will follow. Turn cell phones off during the show. Please wait to present any flowers or gifts to performers and do it after the show. Do not approach the stage at any time. Siblings or children attending the recital should not bring hand held electronic games or devices with sounds and/or lights that would cause distraction for other audience members. Because we present a professional performance, we ask that everyone remain seated during the entire show. If you do need to leave the auditorium during the show, you must do so between dances, and you will only be allowed back in between dances. This will be enforced, please listen to the ushers in regards to this policy. Please help us out and share this information with your attending guests so we can keep the show a professional and entertaining event for all.

As always- if you have any questions please ask! Our goal is to make rehearsal and recital as stress free and enjoyable as possible for everyone! Can't wait to see all of our fabulous dancers shine on stage! Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for a great year!