

## General Information for Rehearsals & Recital Shows

### Rehearsals:

\*Stage rehearsals are used to acclimate younger students to the stage, for spacing the routines and to pick lighting and check all music for the shows.

\*Please arrive 20 minutes early for your scheduled rehearsal time. We often run early, and like to keep going. If you are late, you run the risk of not being able to rehearse your routines on stage.

\*Recreational students should arrive WITH their costumes, or with their first costume ON if feasible. Please report to your teacher, who will show you to the dressing room area. Rehearsals are also the time to get instructions on hair and make-up from your teacher. If you already know, you can practice at home, and come to rehearsals with your hair and make-up done.

You will also receive information about where to sit between performances and other important instructions for recital day.

\*All Company (competitive students) should wear black leotards or dance clothes.

\*Please don't leave the venue if you have questions : ) Someone will be available to answer any questions you may have.

### Show Days:

\*All students should arrive 1 HOUR before show start. This is very important to be sure everyone is present & prepared. A FEMALE parent or guardian of younger children should accompany them into their assigned dressing room, get them into their first costume, and then return to sit in the auditorium when doors open. If you will be getting up at all during the show to assist your younger students, please sit close to the exit door. Please follow teachers' instructions at REHEARSALS regarding quick costumes changes at shows.

\*Erin will be calling Tots and PreK kids back onto the stage after their final performance of the show. The little ones often get very fidgety and can't make it through till the end. They will receive their trophies on stage and will be dismissed back to you in the audience. It's also fine if they want to stay for the finale.

\*Our teachers are sticklers about audience etiquette. Please do not enter or exit the auditorium during a performance. Please take crying babies into the cafeteria/lobby area as soon as possible. Do not allow younger siblings to run up and down the aisles, or roam the school unattended. Everyone has worked so hard on their routines all year, and we'd love our entire audience to have a pleasant experience. **THERE IS TO BE ABSOLUTELY NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OR VIDEO TAPING OF ANY OF THE ROUTINES.** The teachers' choreography is their intellectual property, and it can BE dangerous if a flash catches the eye of a dancer! We will have a professional videographer recording all the performances. They can be preordered, or you can order the digital links at the show. Please remind any guests you may have of these rules.

**THANK YOU, AND GO 19!**