

DANCE CONCERT POLICIES

- As previously stated, the 2024 Annual Dance Concert is scheduled for April 27 with dress rehearsal on Friday, April 26. Mark your calendars now.
- The Concert is more than a typical recital. The Concert is a full show with a storyline, lighting special effects, set pieces, and videography. R&C is proud to present a show that is enjoyed by everyone (yes.....even Dads).
- R&C presents two performances of the annual dance concert: 1pm & 5pm. Cast lists of what dancers perform in which performance(s) will be announced during the spring semester.
- **Dance class attendance the week of the concert, as well as attendance to the dress rehearsal, is MANDATORY for those participating in the dance concert. Plan accordingly.**
- **All accounts should be current in order to participate in the dance concert.**
- **DANCE CONCERT FEE PACKAGES:** This year costume and concert fees are packaged together in one fee and divided into 4 monthly payments September thru December or can be paid in one lump sum. The Dance Concert Package includes the following: 1 costume, 1 pair of tights, 4-6 tickets to the concert (depending upon if the dancer is in one or two performances), dance concert t-shirt with name on the back, hangers for every costume, 1 garment bag, a digital link to the performances. All of this for \$180 or 4 payments of \$45. If dancers are in more than one class and require more than one costume, each additional costume is \$80 and each additional pair of tights is \$8 (the purchasing of additional tights is optional)
- The purchasing of dance concert costumes will happen in October. At least half of the Concert Package must be paid by the ordering date. Students will be sent home with instructions on how to measure your dancer for his/her costumes. Those measurements are also due by the ordering date as will be specified on the instruction sheet.
- The week before the dance concert, there will be a Theatre Week. During this week, dance classes will be held in the Woodward Arts Theatre. This week of classes is mandatory in order to participate in the show.
- All other tickets for the performances are \$5 and will be made available two weeks before the concert and at the door of each performance.
- Around the end of March, each student will receive his/her costumes and concert t-shirt along with a DANCE CONCERT PACKET. Within the packet will be detailed information on how each costume is worn, call times for rehearsals and performances, show tickets, etc. This packet is to be read thoroughly and put in a safe spot. If lost, replacement packets will not be given but all info within the packet will also be posted in the studio. Every year the studio is bombarded with questions that have been answered within this packet. I kindly ask that you read the packet when you get it, and then if you have questions, ask away! It is a very busy time for me, as I am sure you can understand. This is why I put together a detailed packet for you well in advance of the show. Students and parents reading it saves both parties time and effort. Thank you!
- **Each class will need one parent to volunteer as a Concert Parent. This parent will help coordinate sitters backstage during the concert performances as parents are not allowed backstage (unless they are specifically assigned as a sitter). Sitters are usually paid (unless they volunteer) and the**

Concert Parent helps facilitate gathering funds from the class to pay the sitter. You can volunteer as Concert Parent at any time throughout the year by emailing the studio.

- **Picture Days** are scheduled for the week following the concert – the week of April 29, 2024. Mark your calendars. A detailed schedule will come with your concert packet.
- A professional videographer and photographer will be recording and taking pictures during the performances. Video and flash photography are prohibited during the performances.
- There is a student check in and check out system for dress rehearsal and performances. Each dancer receives a number on a sticker to place on their dance bag and his/her guardian gets a card to keep in order to check out the student after the show. Please do not simply drop off your dancer at the theatre. A parent or guardian **MUST** check them in.
- The first 3 people to email me after reading this far will receive a free R&C popsocket.
- As always, dancers LOVE to receive a flower or balloon after their big performance!! (optional, of course, but just a heads up that this is a tradition in the dance world)

FALL SHOW POLICIES/PROCEDURES

- Fall Shows have been in the form of Student Choreography Shows (which were a simpler form of the concert) in 2017 & 2018. In 2019, we presented a huge Christmas Production in conjunction with Woodward Arts Theatre. Last year's Fall Show was the Woodward Arts Theatre 40th anniversary show, which was a BIG deal. We are returning again to the simpler choreography show this year, and the date for that show will be the weekend of November 17, 2023. There will be two performances. More info will follow shortly.
- In every case, to cover costs, there has been a fundraiser in order to not require parents to foot the bill for costumes and fees. Each student is strongly encouraged to participate in the fundraiser.
- Fall Shows have similar policies and procedures to the Concert – except there is no costume fee or show fee. Students provide basic leotard, tights, and shoes. R&C provides all other accessories and costume pieces. Students do not receive any comp tickets to their performances.
- Rehearsals and Performance dates are scheduled according to the show's needs and are announced early in the dance year so families can prepare. Dress and blocking rehearsals for fall performances are mandatory.