

WE WANT YOU TO BE INFORMED

WHAT TO EXPECT AT TECH/DRESS REHEARSAL

1. Tech/Dress rehearsal is Friday, May 25th at McKinney North High School. Please arrive to your scheduled rehearsal time early. Schedules of the rehearsal are available at the studio, on the Dancer Strong website (www.dancer-strong.com) and a copy is emailed to each family. Be dressed and ready for your first dance. If you are in multiple classes, make sure to bring your other costumes with you.
2. When you arrive, find your class and sit with them. If you are in multiple dances, sit with your first dance class of the show. Your parent volunteers will be sitting with the class as well. They have been asked to keep everyone seated together as a class in the auditorium because the rehearsal goes much faster and smoother when we don't have to search for dancers, however, parents are expected to stay and be responsible for your own. If you need to step out please let the volunteer know where you will be.
3. Immediately after the dancers have practiced their piece on stage, they are dismissed, unless they have another dance. If they are in another dance, they will need to change into that costume and then go sit with that class. If you have questions or need help, your parent volunteer is there to help.
4. When it is close to your dancer's time to practice, a staff member will come get the class, that is sitting together, and take them around to the backstage area. When they are done, we will bring them back to the same seats we got them from.
5. This rehearsal has a lot of starts, stops and do-overs and can take a while. Be sure to pack a water bottle and non-staining snacks. If you bring dinner, please step out into the lobby to eat and cover your costume with a towel or robe. And again, please let the parent volunteer know where you'll be should we need to find you.

WHAT TO EXPECT ON SHOW DAYS

- A. Opening night, Saturday, May 26th: we will need you at the theatre by 5:30pm. Check in with the head-volunteer in the dressing room and then settle in with your class. If you are in multiple dances, you will need to put all your costumes with the appropriate class area. The parent volunteers will help you with this. After your child is settled in, you will need to leave the dressing room unless you are a volunteer.

- B. It is highly recommended that dancers with multiple costumes separate their costumes into paper bags. Make sure to include all accessories for that costume. The costume information sheet is also helpful. Each bag should have the dancer's name, class and character in the show clearly labeled on it. This is a life saver for the parent volunteers who have many costume changes to do in a short amount of time during the show.

- C. *It is also highly recommended that you label all belongings with your dancer's name.*

- D. Saturday only: The staff will be coming to get each class to line them up for curtain call practice and cast photo which is scheduled for 5:45pm. After that we will bring the dancers back to the dressing rooms and prepare to start the show. House opens at 6:30pm. Show begins at 7:00pm.

- E. For Sunday's show, May 27th, dancers are to arrive and check in beginning at 1:00pm. House opens at 1:30pm. Show begins at 2:00pm.

- F. After curtain call the dancers will be escorted back to their dressing rooms. You may pick up your dancer at their assigned dressing room. All dancers must be checked out by a parent or guardian.

MS. CARLA'S RULES:

**No outside food or drink in the dressing rooms. Water bottles only. I will have animal crackers, pretzels and cheerios in the dressing room if a child should need a snack.*

**The dancers are expected to arrive at the stated time above and stay till the end. A parent or guardian must check them in and check them out. Dancers are NOT allowed to leave the dressing room to go watch the show and then return in time for curtain call. The only reason to leave the dressing room is for a restroom break or to perform.*

**Only the combo classes and creative movement dancers are allowed to leave after they perform or at the end of act 1.*

**No dancer should be in the auditorium in costume.*

**ONLY parent volunteers in the dressing room during the show. Females only in the girls dressing room; Males only in the boys dressing room.*

**All parents are asked to be patient and stay calm. When we are happy, our kids are happy!*

**All dancers should have fun and smile on stage! 😊*

**This is an exciting time and should be a fun experience for all.
Let's create happy, wonderful memories for our kids!**

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact us.

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