

Thank you for volunteering to help with

Dancer Strong's Spring Production 2018!!

Your help and time given means so much to us and is greatly appreciated!

Here are some things you need to know:

1. There will be several meeting times offered. You only need to attend one. The meeting options are:
Monday, May 7th at 7:30pm, At Dancer Strong
Tuesday, May 8th at 6:30pm, At Dancer Strong
Wednesday, May 9th at 7:00pm, At Dancer Strong
Thursday, May 10th at 7:30pm, At Dancer Strong
2. We will need your help Friday, May 25th during tech/dress rehearsal. While your class or classes that you are assigned to help with are at the theatre for rehearsal, we will need your help keeping them seated all together. The rehearsal goes much faster and smoother when we don't have to search for dancers. 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. Parents should stay with their dancer and take care of this step themselves, however, you may need to help or give them some direction. The rehearsal process can be confusing especially to first time dance parents.
3. If you are volunteering for opening night, Saturday, May 26th, we will need you at the theatre by 5:15pm. The dancers are to arrive at 5:30pm and will check in with the head -volunteer in the dressing room and then settle in with you. The staff and you will be getting each class lined up for curtain call practice and cast photo which is scheduled for 5:45pm. After that we will bring the dancers back to you in the dressing rooms and prepare to start the show. House opens at 6:30pm. Show begins at 7:00pm.
4. If you are volunteering for Sunday's show, May 28th, you will need to arrive by 12:45pm. Dancers are to arrive and check in beginning at 1:00pm. House opens at 1:30pm. Show begins at 2:00pm.
5. As the show begins, you will be entertaining your class with games, coloring, practicing, etc. (tablets are allowed but we cannot be held responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.) As we get going you will be instructed when to line up your class by the door. As they are lining up, please make sure they look performance ready. Ex: have earrings on, hair pieces in on the correct side of head and touch up makeup if needed. This is called "Next Up." The staff will take them from there to the hall right outside the stage door. This is called "On Deck." From there they move into the backstage area and are lined up in the wings ready to boogie. This is called "in the wings."

6. When they are done performing, they will be brought back to you. If they are done performing with all their dances, they just hang out and wait for curtain call. If they have another dance, they need to get changed and move to that class's spot and that volunteer is now in charge of them. As dancers begin changing from costume to costume, please help the student stay organized and keep track of their belongings. Some dancers will not come back to you in the dressing room because they need to go to "quick change." The staff is in charge of quick changes and will supervise them backstage till they are brought back to the dressing room. Note: you are in charge and responsible for any dancers that do not move to another class/volunteer till the end of the show when their parent or guardian checks them out.
7. After the dancers you are responsible for have checked out, please begin picking up any trash or items that have been left behind. There will be trash bins and a lost and found box in the room.
8. Rules: I do have a couple simple rules that all need to follow.
 - >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.
 - >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 and questions, comments or concerns, please contact us.

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