

Recital Info Packet

In this packet you will find all of the information you will need to know about our 2018 recital and all of the necessary preparations. We hope this will help in your planning and will answer any questions you may have.

Recital Date(s): SEE SCHEDULE ONLINE *Our recitals normally run 2 to 2 1/4 hours in length

Dress rehearsal date: SEE SCHEDULE ONLINE

Location: East Ridge High School
4200 Pioneer Drive, Woodbury, MN 55129

Off Bailey Rd and Radio Drive behind Bielenberg Sports Center

Dance Routine Video Recording: Parents will be invited into the classroom March 19th – 24th & April 23rd – 28th to video record the dance routines (for most classes). This is completely optional, but it is helpful to have a visual tool when practicing for many dancers. Please be sure to video record one of the instructors when you are recording. Instructors may notify parents of alternate dates if needed.

Costumes: Costume payments include costs for the costume, tights (if applicable), and accessories. We have taken extra steps to make sure that the costumes will fit correctly even after any growth over the remainder of the year. You are responsible for any minor alterations (pinning straps, cutting strings, etc). If, however, you find that the costume is not fitting or has a major defect please let us know. Dancers will receive costumes when their accounts are up to date.



Important Dates

Picture Week

Monday, April 2nd – Saturday, April 7th

Program Ad Deadline

Friday, April 13th (Order Online)

Ticket Orders

Friday, April 20th
(To be included in seating drawing)

Video Recording Dates

March 19th-24th & April 23rd -28th

Pictures 2018

Individual and class pictures will be taken IN COSTUME Monday, April 2nd – Saturday, April 7th. Regular classes will not be held on these dates. Dancers will only need to come for their picture time (see info attached). Pictures will be scheduled at a time similar to your dancer's regular class time. Please see ordering and pricing info attached. It is not required that pictures be purchased but we hope to have all students present for the class pictures. Those who order pictures will receive their photos approximately 2.5 weeks after ordering.

More Important News

Undergarments: Dancers should not wear undergarments that are visible when wearing their costume. Dancers needing to wear a bra should be sure to wear a style that does not have straps that show (unless the straps are clear). We offer nude leotards in our boutique which can be worn under most costumes.

Hair and make-up: Dancers are not required to wear their hair a certain way for the recital but should have it pulled back away from the face in a way that compliments the costume and any hairpiece included with the costume. Check out our curly hair wraps in the boutique for a quick but polished updo! Dancers should wear eye shadow, blush and lipstick for their recital to keep them from being washed out by the stage lights. Mascara is optional but recommended especially for older dancers. Jewelry should not be worn except for small earrings. Large dangling earrings, bracelets and necklaces can be a distraction during the performance. Please also remove temporary tattoos prior to the recital. No gum, please.

Shoes: Please check the list below to be sure your child has the correct color and style of shoes for their recital. All shoes, except for hip hop, are available in the WDC boutique. Please let us know if you have any questions. All tap, jazz and ballet shoes listed are on sale in the boutique in March!

Tiny Tots – pink ballet shoes (black for boys)

Preschool/Kindergarten – pink ballet shoes & white tap shoes (black for boys)

Ages 5—7 Tap/Hip Hop — Tan strappy tap shoes and black hi top converse shoes with white soles

1st – 2nd grade – pink ballet shoes and tan strappy tap shoes

3rd – 5th grade – tan jazz shoes and tan strappy tap shoes

5th – 8th grade – tan jazz shoes and tan strappy tap shoes

8th – 12th (and 7th-9th) grade – tan jazz shoes and black tap shoes

Lyrical – pirouettes (lyrical shoes)

Boys tap — black oxford style tap shoe or black jazz tap shoe

Hip Hop – black hi top converse shoes with white soles

Recital Music

Dancers will be able to download a copy of their music to practice with from the recital page that will be posted on our website in March. This page will include important recital information such as, the recital packet, music download, program ad order info, and much more!

Communication

Emails:

We will send many updates and reminders via email throughout the spring. If you do not regularly receive emails from WDC each month for our newsletters please notify the studio ASAP.

Contact Information:

Phone: (651) 735-9252

www.woodburydance.com

Email:

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Dress rehearsal: Each class has a scheduled dress rehearsal date/time which will be held at East Ridge High School. At the dress rehearsal, each class will have the opportunity to run through each routine on stage in costume. They will also run through the finale of the show. Each class is free to leave once they have rehearsed all of their recital routines and finale. Video -taping is allowed at the dress rehearsal. All dancers should arrive in full costume. Classes with more than one costume will be notified of which to wear first. Make-up is optional but hair accessories should be worn to make sure they stay secure while your dancer is performing.

Class shows: Prior to the recital, classes often are given an opportunity to perform for another class at the studio during their class time. They are also able to be an audience for the other class(es). This experience helps prepare the dancers for their recital performance by giving them the opportunity to perform in front of an audience (some of them for the first time).

Volunteers

Each class will be assigned one or more volunteers to stay with them during the show. We hire WDC alumni dancers to help backstage and also ask for parent volunteers. We also need volunteers to help with ushering prior to the show. If you are interested in volunteering at recital, please look for sign up information closer to recitals. Volunteers receive a gift certificate towards purchases in our boutique or to be used towards tuition.

WDC Dance Awards: Dancers who have danced at WDC for three, five, seven, ten, twelve or fifteen years will be recognized with a special trophy and will be listed in our recital program book. Please review the information attached to verify our records are correct. Let the front desk know if the information listed is incorrect. We do our best to keep our records up to date but sometimes might miss someone especially if they have not been at the studio for consecutive years. All dancers in the recital will receive a ribbon.

Recital day/night: Dancers must arrive at the high school 30 minutes prior to the start of the recital. This allows time for the dancer to find their class in the dressing room and prepare for their first routine in the show. All dancers except Tiny Tots will stay backstage for the entire show. Tiny Tots should be picked up in the dressing room following their performance (scheduled near the beginning of the recital) and will be called backstage for the finale near the end of the show. It is not required that they stay for the finale but it is a fun way to end the show. Dancers can be picked up in the dressing room at the end of the show.

Audience members are asked not to enter or leave the auditorium when dancers are performing on stage. Please refrain from yelling or screaming during the performance. However, your generous applause is appreciated by the performers. No food or drink allowed in the auditorium.

Videos/DVDs: Each recital will be professionally recorded by Creative Edge. You will receive information about ordering DVDs of your child's recital prior to the recitals. No other video-recording is allowed at the recital.

Recital tickets: Tickets are now available to order for \$13.00 each. All family and friends will need a ticket to watch the show. You are guaranteed to be able to purchase up to six tickets per family (not per dancer) per show. If you would like to purchase more than six tickets, please include the additional number of tickets you would like on the envelope and we will do our best to complete your full order. Ticket orders will be due by Friday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. It does not matter if you turn in your order first or last since the seating location is determined by a drawing (see below).

Small children/infants that will be sitting on a parent's lap do not require a ticket. Dancers in the Tiny Tots classes will need to be picked up in the dressing room following their performance (scheduled near the beginning of the show) and can sit with their family in the audience until they are called backstage for the finale. It is up to you whether or not you would like to purchase a ticket for them to have their own seat in the auditorium.

Seating location is decided on a drawing basis. This eliminates the need for anyone to stand in a long line to purchase tickets. Your child's instructor will mark the side of the stage that your child stands on so that we can assign tickets to you in the section where you will be able to view your dancer. If you have more than one dancer in recital be sure to turn in all of your order envelopes with placement codes. Please be sure to mark clearly on your ordering envelope if you need handicapped seating for the show and note whether it is for someone in a wheelchair, can't do stairs, walker, bad hip/leg (left or right side), etc... **Please be sure to use envelope provided.**

Recital programs: Recital programs will be available at recital free of charge to ticket holders. The full color program includes a list of dancers receiving attendance awards, senior pictures, a few candid photos and credits for the show. Due to space constraints recreational class group pictures are not included in the recital program.

Families also have the opportunity to place an ad and/or a note to their dancer(s). This is a great way to let your dancer(s) know how proud you are of them. It's also a great way for businesses to let the community know about what they have to offer. Program ad submissions need to be done online through WDC's website. Please go to www.woodburydance.com and look on our recital page or under "Current News" on our home page. Information about costs, etc... for these ads will be included on the online order form. There will be examples at the front desk to look at.

Ad orders due April 13th!

Additional End of Year Dates:

Monday, March 26th – Saturday, March 31st Spring Break – No Classes will be held

Monday, May 7th-Thursday, May 24th 2018/2019 Fall-Spring Registration (details will be sent separately)

Friday, May 18th - Thursday, May 24th Last Week of Class