

## Totally Tots Showcase Info Packet

In this packet you will find all of the information you will need to know about our 2020 Totally Tots Showcase and all of the necessary preparations. We hope this will help in your planning and will answer any questions you may have.

**Showcase Date:** SEE SCHEDULE ONLINE

\*Tots Showcase will be approx. 30 minutes in length

**Location:** Oltman Middle School

6625 Goodview Ave S., Cottage Grove, 55016

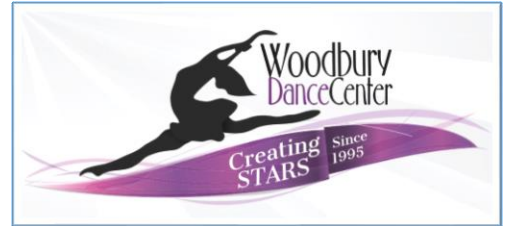
Off Hinton Ave S. and 65<sup>th</sup> Street S.

**Dance Routine Video Recording:** Parents will be invited into the classroom April 13<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 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. Costumes will be passed out starting the week of March 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have a balance on your account, your dancer's costume will be held until your account is up to date.

**Undergarments:** Dancers should not wear undergarments that are visible when wearing their costume. We offer nude leotards in our boutique which can be worn under most costumes.

**Shoes:** Tots will need pink ballet shoes (black for boys) 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!



### Important Dates

**Picture Week**

Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Ticket Orders**

Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

**Video Recording Dates**

Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

### Pictures 2020

Individual and class pictures will be taken IN COSTUME Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. 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

**Hair and make-up:** Dancers are not required to wear their hair a certain way for the showcase 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 may wear eye shadow, blush and lipstick for their recital to keep them from being washed out by the stage lights. Mascara is optional. 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.

**Dress rehearsal:** Tots Dancers WILL NOT need to attend a dress rehearsal for their showcase.

**Class shows:** Prior to the showcase, classes may be 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 performance by giving them the opportunity to perform in front of an audience (some of them for the first time).

**Showcase Day:** Dancers must arrive at the Oltman Middle School 15 minutes prior to the start of the showcase.

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 or a digital copy of your child's recital prior to the recitals. No other video-recording is allowed at the recital.

**Showcase tickets:** Tickets are now available to order for \$8.00 each. There is no limit to the amount of tickets you may purchase. Siblings of dancers in the Tots Showcase and small children/infants that will be sitting on a parent's lap do not require a ticket. All other family and friends will need a ticket to watch the show. Seating will be general admission and not reserved seating; however, if you need handicapped seating for the show, please make note and we will reserve the handicap seating section of the auditorium for you. (i.e. audience member in wheelchair, can't do stairs, walker, etc...)

**Showcase programs:** Showcase programs will be available free of charge to ticket holders.

### Additional End of Year Dates:

Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> Spring Break – No Classes will be held

Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>-Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> 2020/2021 Fall-Spring Registration (details will be sent separately)

Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> Last Week of Class

## 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, 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.

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