

# **Dress Rehearsal FAQ**

## ***Where is Dress rehearsal?***

David Brearley High School, 401 Monroe Ave, Kenilworth NJ 07033. This is the same location for recital.

Exact Dress Rehearsal days & times can be found on the document below, but are held from May 15th - May 19th & May 22nd.

## ***What does my child need for dress rehearsal?***

The costume given out in class with the attached tights and accessories and the required shoes.

## ***Are they required to wear makeup/have their hair done?***

All dancers will have their hair in a low bun and makeup should consist of lipstick, blush, and eye makeup appropriate for their age. Dancers should be wearing enough so that they aren't washed out underneath the stage lighting. Please also note that dancers should remove all nail polish and jewelry.

## ***I don't know how to put my child's hair in a bun, what should I do?***

We have a bun making video on our website to help you practice before dress rehearsal.

## ***What time do I need to be at dress rehearsal?***

Your dress rehearsal schedule will have a day and time highlighted for your class. You should arrive *15 minutes prior* to that highlighted time.

## ***What happens at dress rehearsal?***

When you arrive to dress rehearsal, dancers will be directed to their designated row to sit inside the auditorium. Teachers will then gather dancers to go backstage and take photos before they head to the stage to run through their dance 1-2 times. Once they are finished, you are free to leave unless you have another class.

## ***There are photos taken at dress rehearsal? Do I need to have photos taken?***

Photos taken in costume with our professional photographer Lori Fleissner, will be available for purchase ONLY at your dancer's Dress rehearsal. Photos can only be purchased via CASH, CHECK, or CARD ON FILE. Please have payment ready. Photos will be fully digital and emailed out mid-June.

You are not required to have photos taken, but once dress rehearsal is over, there are no other opportunities to have them done.

## ***Can I take photos and video while my child is onstage at dress rehearsal?***

Absolutely! This is the best time to take all of the photos and video that you want because taking photo and video is strictly prohibited at the recital.

## ***Can I bring family members to dress rehearsal?***

Only one parent or guardian is permitted to attend dress rehearsal due to the volume of students attending dress rehearsal.

# **Recital FAQ**

## ***Where and when is Recital?***

Recital will be the weekend of June 10th-11th, 2023 on the stage at David Brearley High School in Kenilworth. Exact Recital days & times can be found on the 2023 Dress Rehearsals & Recital Assignments documents

## ***When exactly is my child performing? Do I have to block off the entire weekend?***

Exact show days & times can be found on the document below. Shows are no longer than an hour. Each recreational class will perform once, so they will not need to be there the entire weekend.

**\*\*If you have multiple dancers who attend Fusion or if your dancer takes multiple classes, there is the possibility that the classes may be in different performances.**

## ***How many tickets will be allowed? How much do tickets cost?***

You are allowed to purchase as many tickets as you would like, using your unique ticket access code. Tickets are \$20 online, or \$25 at the door (if there are remaining seats).

## ***Will masks be required?***

Masks are not required for dancers or audience members, it is up to the individual family's discretion.

## ***Where will dancers stay during the show?***

All dancers are assigned to a backstage group during the recital. Parents sign their dancers backstage and are then encouraged to go sit in the auditorium. Parents can get a wristband if they want to go backstage during the performance. The same parent or guardian must sign the dancer out at the conclusion of the performance. Dancers are supervised backstage and are required to stay for the entire performance. We encourage you to pack clean snacks and water for your child to have backstage. Shows are 45 minutes to 1 hr.

**\*\*Please note that for Tiny Toes classes, dancers do sit in a designated row during the recital with one parent or guardian. They must stay there the entire show except when teachers come to get the dancers for their performance.\*\***

## ***Can my dancer come sit with me in the theater once they are done dancing?***

No, we require dancers to remain backstage the entire time. Dancers are lined up to come back out at the end of the show, so we have all groups stay backstage together throughout the show.

**\*If you need to pick your dancer up for any reason mid-show, office staff must be informed via email prior to recital weekend.**

## ***Are snacks with nuts allowed backstage?***

No. We are peanut and tree nut free backstage due to potential allergies.

***What is included with the costume?***

The full costume, all accessories, and a pair of tights. Parents need to provide the shoes listed on the class shoe requirement page and sticker that gets attached to their costume to be sent home.

***Is there parking?***

Yes, however we encourage you to arrive early in order to get a parking spot close to the school. Parking in fire zones or non-designated parking spaces will result in a ticket, which we are not held responsible for.

***What time does my dancer need to arrive to the recital?***

All dancers must arrive 30 minutes prior to the start time of their recital. We start our recital promptly at the minute and will not wait for dancers who are late. Please bring your dancer in their costume with hair and makeup done so that they only need to put their dance shoes on.

***Are parents allowed backstage?***

Parents must get a wristband to go backstage during the recital. Once the show begins, only female adults are allowed in the Girls Dressing Room, no males. Adults are allowed into the Boys Dressing Room. We encourage parents to stay in the audience for the entirety of the show as we have plenty of helpers in the dressing rooms to supervise and assist the dancers.

***What if I am late arriving to the recital?***

Doors to the auditorium CAN ONLY be opened BETWEEN dances. There will be no exceptions. Our recitals start promptly on time and we are not able to wait for late dancers to start the show.

***Can I take photos and record video during the recital?***

No. To ensure the safety of the dancers and respect every audience member's viewing experience, flash photography and videotaping is strictly prohibited. Parents and guardians are welcome to take photos and video at Dress Rehearsal. Parents may also purchase digital recordings of the recital through the ticketing website.

***Where can I get a recording of my dancer's recital?***

You can purchase a recording of your dancer's recital through the ticketing website. The recording will be emailed out as a digital link after the recital weekend and you will have approximately a month to download the file to your computer. If your dancer is in multiple shows, you will need to purchase a separate link for each recital.

### ***Where can I obtain flowers for my dancer on the day of the show?***

We will have a vendor selling bouquets and other small gifts the day of the recital, however you are more than welcome to bring your own with you to the show.

## **Recital Tickets FAQ**

### ***Do I need to purchase tickets to your recital?***

Yes, everyone who attends the recital is required to have a ticket. Dancers performing in the recital are not required to have a ticket because they remain backstage during the performance. Children 2 and under that can comfortably sit on your lap are not required to pay for a ticket.

### ***How do I purchase recital tickets?***

You will receive information via email in regards to our online ticketing process. We use Dance Recital Ticketing, which is a system similar to any event ticket purchasing site. You will need an access code to enter the site which will be given out to accounts paid up at the time codes are available. Codes will be sent to the primary email address on your account.. Tickets are sold online only up until the day before the recital. After that, they can be purchased at the door, if there are tickets remaining.

### ***How much are your recital tickets?***

Recital tickets are \$20 online with an additional convenience fee. At the door, tickets are \$25, cash or check is accepted.

### ***What if my dancer(s) is/are in multiple recitals?***

Sometimes dancers may be in different shows due to the type of class they take or if scheduling did not allow for dancers to be in classes in the same recital. You will be able to purchase tickets for multiple shows using your Access Code, however you should check out after each transaction and log back in for remaining shows that you need to purchase for.

### ***How do I know where to sit in the auditorium?***

For dancers ages 6 and under, we hand out papers that show you where your dancer is placed on the stage for their recital dance. For dancers ages 6+, we try to move the dancers around the stage so that you can sit in any location and enjoy your child's performance.

***Is it general or reserved seating in the auditorium?***

Reserved seating. Please check when your recital goes on sale and we encourage buying your tickets as early as possible to have a better selection in where you want to sit.

June 10th 9:00 am Show - \*10:00 am ticket sale time

June 10th 10:45 am Show - \*10:15 am ticket sale time

June 10th 12:30 pm Show - \*10:30 am ticket sale time

June 10th 2:30 pm Show- \*10:45 am ticket sale time

June 10th 5:00 pm Show \*(formally known as 4:30pm, 6:45 pm) - \*11:00 am ticket sale time

June 11th 9:00 am Show - \*11:30 am ticket sale time

June 11th 11:00 am Show - \*11:45 am ticket sale time

June 11th 1:00 pm Show - \*12:00 pm ticket sale time

June 11th 2:45 pm Show - \*12:15 pm ticket sale time

June 11th 4:45 pm Show- \*12:30 pm ticket sale time

June 11th 6:45 pm Show- \*12:45 pm ticket sale time

***I bought too many tickets, can I get a refund?***

Unfortunately, we cannot issue a refund, however you are more than welcome to re-sell your tickets on the board next to the office or post it to Facebook.

***I bought tickets to the wrong show, can I exchange them?***

As long as there are seats available, you can exchange your tickets. You may not get the same seats or even the same area as your other tickets depending on the show. You will have to contact the ticket company to complete your exchange.