



Saturday, June 15, 2024 Bellingham High School 60 Blackstone St. Bellingham, MA 02019

IMPORTANT PLEASE READ

THIS LETTER CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE RECITAL

Dear Parents,

Our dancers will have a FABULOUS RECITAL PERFORMANCE on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Bellingham High School. There will be two shows, an Afternoon show held at 12:00pm and an Evening show held at 5:00pm.

Showtime: Afternoon show, doors open for seating at 11:30am Evening show, doors open for seating at 4:30pm

All dancers will be in full costume for the Recital. It is essential that every student be present with costumes, hair done and make-up. Students should arrive dressed in their first costume. Upon arrival, please report to the Cafeteria which is the dressing room. It is in the Cafeteria where we will look for your dancer to line them up for their performance.

All dancer's hair should be in a neat bun for the performance. There will also be a FINALE DANCE for all our dancers at the end of each show.

Below are the Recital rules. Please read through them carefully.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and we look forward to our year end performances with great excitement!!!

Recital Rules

- 1. Costumes, all straps cross in the back. Make an X not a V and secure with pins. For halter tops that are clipped, please also secure them with safety pins.
- 2. Safety pin Tutu's to costume.
- 3. Double check and make sure you have everything that is on your costume label. Headpieces, wristlets, gloves, etc.
- 4. Due to the fire laws everyone in the audience must be in a seat. Do not stand along the side walls.
- 5. Students sitting in the audience must have a purchased ticket.
- 6. Tap shoes are **NOT** to be worn in the audience.
- 7. Please remain seated while a dance is performing on stage. If you need to change your child, wait until the dance has finished on stage then get up.
- 8. ** When reentering the auditorium again, please wait until the dance that is performing on stage is finished. There will be a person posted at the door; they will not let you reenter until the dance on stage has finished. Please tell your family members.
- 9. When leaving or entering the auditorium just use the front doors.
- **10. Do not** use the doors near the stage to get backstage.
- 11. Cell phones are to be turned off.
- 12. Videotaping and flash pictures are **not allowed**.
- 13. Be there for 11:30am if you are in the 12:00pm show. 4:30pm if you are in the 5:00pm show. Go directly to the dressing room ready in your first costume. Children are allowed one adult/parent to help them change.
- 14. Students are to be backstage 6 numbers before their own.

- 15. For the Finale, please have your child dressed in their MDG recital t-shirt and black shorts. There will be an announcement made to line up backstage 6 numbers before the finale.
- 16. We do have two adults in the dressing room to take care of the kids and bring them to their teachers to line up for the stage.
- 17. Each kinder dance has a "trick step" in their routine, please clap for them. They have been told everyone is going to clap.
- **18. Please clap** for all dances. Everyone has worked hard all year for this day. The smiles this will bring are worth it!
- 19. Many people bring flowers to the students. Please check with the other parents in your class to see what they are doing. You do not want your child to be the only one without flowers.
- 20. No balloons will be allowed in the auditorium as they will obstruct the vision of those behind you.
- 21. Recreational students and team members will change in the Cafeteria which is to the left of the auditorium. There will be signs and people to help guide you.
- 22. Please note that food is not allowed in the auditorium.
- 23. All dancers are to wear a coverup over their costumes when in the auditorium for the recital.
- 24. Please note, there is absolutely **no changing in the hallways**. There are security cameras!
- 25. Boys Dressing rooms will be clearly marked.

RECITAL TICKETS:

Recital tickets are \$25.00 each and are Reserved seating. We will have a Ticket Day sale on May 11th at the studio. If you are in the Afternoon show, your tickets will go on sale from 10:00am - 11:30am. If you are in the Evening show, your tickets will go on sale from 12:00pm - 1:30pm. Tickets are on a first come, first serve basis. If you are not able to come to Ticket Day, there is a Recital Ticket order form on our website under the Recital tab. Those tickets are *Next Best Seats* and will be sold after Ticket Day. Tickets may not be available at the door so please get your orders in early. Tickets are nonrefundable and cash only.



While we do not allow any type of photography or videotaping during our recitals, we do hire a professional videographer for the day. This year Dance Bug will be videoing our recitals. The price of this package is \$60.00 and is a convenient way for everyone to enjoy and share their dancer's beautiful performances and memories for years to come! This package includes your digital download of the recital and one recital T-shirt! Digital Download Access information will be distributed after the recital. Siblings and parent T-shirts may be purchased for \$25.00. The purchase of this package is required for all families and recital T-shirts are to be worn for the finale. Order deadline is April 30th, 2024. This package is payable by cash or check. If paying by check, please make that check out to McKeon Dance & Gymnastics Center.

GLOVES & SOCKS:

All orders for gloves and socks must be placed through McKeon's. There is an order form on our website under the recital tab. All orders must be placed by April 30th, 2024.

SHOES & TIGHTS:

All tights and shoes can be purchased through the Nimbly website. Please place those orders by April 30th, 2024.

www.shopnimbly.com/DancerClassList?lid=a0eQp000004ORXpIAO

STEP 1: Visit www.shopnimbly.com/mckeondance to register and create an account if you do not have one already

Select and shop the 2024 Recital needs List based on the information that we sent out per class. You do not need to order new shoes if you had ordered them at the beginning of the season through Nimbly and they are in good shape.

*Your orders will be delivered directly to the shipping address of your choice.

PHOTOGRAPHS:

Our dance photographer Morin's Studio will be at the studio on Monday, June 10th, 2024 for individual photographs. This is optional, if you choose to have your dancer photographed, please come into our waiting room. There will be a sign up sheet on our wall with times. There will also be a Package Form on our website under the Recital Tab. Pictures will be available for pickup sometime in July. We will email you when they are ready for pickup.

FLOWERS:

Flower bouquets will be available to purchase from Katydid Flowers. Many people bring flowers to the students. Please check with the other parents in your class to see what they are doing. You do not want your child to be the only one without flowers. There will be an Order Form on our website under the Recital Tab. Please fill out the form and bring it with you to Ticket Day, May 11th, or you can fill out the form and bring it into the studio directly. Please make checks out to **Katydid Flowers**.

Here's to a great show!

Trisha Cacciapaglia - Director