Link to the recital videos will be made available to families.
Professional photos available to order. All photos taken at dress rehearsal.
Stafford Academy apparel available for sale at recital.
Summer Dance: JUNE 28TH – JULY 2ND
Recital Tickets – Order Forms being emailed to all and included in May Bills.

DRESS REHEARSAL JUNE 5TH

Be prompt for Dress Rehearsal – arrive in cafeteria 15 minutes prior to call time. If you have costume changes arrive in your first costume and immediately go into the hall to find the changing area with your name on it. Set up all costume changes there and wait to be called to the stage. If you have only one dance, you may report to the pavilion directly and sit quietly until called. If you are late, the dance will go on stage without you. We have a very tight schedule.

Assigned changing areas for Recital: High school age dancers with quick changes, and any others with only one dance to change, will change in a tent set up behind the stage.

All other costume changes will be done in assigned area inside the hall. Each changing station will be labeled with a student's name. Dancers changing costumes must wear a flesh-colored camisole leotard under all costumes. Tights go on and off on top of this leotard.

Etiquette for Performers:

On stage:
1. No touching costume or hair
2. No talking to each other or waving to audience. Parents of little ones – please don't wave to your child while they are trying to do their dance.
3. Mistake? Keep going – keep smiling
4. What to do if costume piece or headpiece falls off – leave it where it fell.
5. Keep thinking at all times: spacing, timing, energy
6. Know how you enter and exit. Question? Make the most logical choice.
7. Look out and smile (if appropriate). Flesh toned masks will be provided to each performer.

Off Stage during Recital:
1. Once parents drop you off, they are not allowed in the hall; make sure you have everything you need. Be responsible. Remember that dancers are not allowed to cross into the audience areas for ANY reason once dropped off backstage. Go to a staff member if you need something.
2. You are encouraged to bring a quiet toy or a book – put your name in it. It will remain under your chair when you're onstage or watching Act II. Remember to claim it after the show.
3. Call for recitals are 30 minutes prior to show time, but you may arrive earlier if you need to get organized and warmed up.
4. Going through your dances with your group before performance is a VERY good idea.
5. Use the bathroom right before you leave your house. There are bathrooms in the hall for dancers. Staff is assigned to tend the younger children while they are waiting prior and post dancing on stage.
6. Remember to behave professionally and politely at all times. No inappropriate language should be used at all. Older dancers, be aware that small children are nearby, at all times. Conduct yourselves appropriately.

7. You do need makeup for dress rehearsal and recital: eye makeup only.

8. No jewelry, nail polish, body tattoos, showy scrunchies, etc. Hair doodles must match hair color. Hair MUST be up and away from face.

9. No gum.

10. Secure costume so you do not have to worry.

11. NEVER EAT OR DRINK in your COSTUMES! Water only. If you need to have a snack, bring a cover up. Choose a snack that is not messy.


13. If you are wearing tan or pink tights, and your costume does not include pants or shorts, do not wear underwear because it will potentially show.


15. Pre-set all quick-change costumes before the show starts, with shoes open, costumes laid out in best order, etc. Backstage crew will help all younger students with quick changes. You will meet them at dress rehearsal.

16. Respect the Legion Hall – do not touch anything.

17. Never touch a pre-set prop that is not yours to bring on stage and use. Never touch someone else’s pre-set costume.

18. While waiting in the wings be quiet and stay out of the way.

19. While lining up to make an entrance onto the stage from the wings, if you can see the audience, they can see you – so move.

20. All traveling from the hall, to stage right or left, must be done following the path of plastic runner laid out on the ground so as not to hurt dance shoes or bring dirt onto the stage. Remember to carry all dance shoes in a bag to rehearsal and shows to put on there. Never walk outside in your dance shoes.

21. No dancers are allowed in the audience areas at any time, unless escorted by a Teacher into special student section to watch the half of the show not dancing in.

22. Bring something to put over costume to sit in audience. Line up by class in long hallway before show and then at intermission. A staff member will bring you out. This applies only if you are performing in just one half of the show. Sit in designated area – not with parents. This year, when students have completed their final dance they will be seated on mats on the floor in front of the stage by staff.

23. If parents try to give you flowers they must wait until after grand finale.

24. In audience, do not behave as if at a baseball game. No yelling.

25. If someone tries to give you a snack while sitting under the pavilion, please refrain from eating it – NO EATING IN COSTUME. Staff and parent volunteers are assigned to sit with the students and tend their needs if something should arise.

26. All borrowed costumes and shoes must be placed in the bin in the hall after Sunday’s performance.

27. All props used in the show will be set up behind the stage. Do not touch any pre-set props or costumes unless they are yours.
28. Trophy people, Student Assistants and Graduating Seniors – don’t go onstage for Finale. Line up with trophies/flowers in hand off stage right. Leave trophies in box Saturday night and take them home on Sunday. If 2020 trophy recipients choose to bow, bring your trophy, and be responsible for it at all times. Bowing without your 2020 trophy in hand is allowed.

29. Communicate with your parents so they know where to find you after the show.

30. If a parent needs to take a dancer home early (before the Grande Finale/Thank you very Much) they must have special permission from Miss Heidi which then gets communicated to the adults who are watching the children. Without that permission, the students will not be excused.

31. Most importantly – try to relax, have fun, and enjoy the whole recital experience! Be nice, helpful, respectful, and supportive of each other!

DRESS REHEARSAL IS JUNE 5TH BEGINNING AT 9:00 AM AT THE LEGION PAVILION.
PERFORMANCES ARE JUNE 12TH AND 13TH AT 2:00 PM AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 26, PAVILION AND LAWN.