

RECITAL INFORMATION SHEET~“The Show Must Go On”

DATE: Saturday, May 8th Act I, Act II, III

TIME: Act I~ 9:00 a.m., Act II~ 1:30 p.m. Act III~ 5:30 p.m. Doors will open 30/40 minutes prior to each show.

WHERE: Vandalia-Butler H.S.~ ALL in attendance MUST wear masks while in the school. Removal of mask is for the performers only prior to their line-up.

REHEARSAL WEEK-In-Studio The week of May 3rd will be a rehearsal week only. NO regular classes. **Monday, May 3rd & Wednesday, May 6th** will be rehearsal nights (& a few slots on Tuesday). This rehearsal will be at the studio, not Butler. The night you come will depend on where you are in the lay out of the program, which Act etc. We will go in order of appearance to familiarize each class with who goes on before and after them. See schedule of **Rehearsal Timeline**. NO COSTUMES for this rehearsal. Regular dancewear is fine. Each class will go through the routine 2 or 3 times. The time schedule will be made out with the approximate amount of time your child will need to be there. Due to the large number of students that will be there and the heavy volume of traffic, we ask that parents please wait outside. They should be there no longer than a half -hour. **PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME.** Please do not make us call you! My volunteers will line up the students according to placement and escort them on and off the dance floor. **All rehearsals are mandatory.** During the 2019 rehearsal week, many people forgot about rehearsal, or were late. If this happens this year your child **WILL NOT** be in the recital. I realize that some timeslots are an afterschool or late-night struggle, but we hope that this one-time exception can be worked out. Even amongst the chaos, your children LOVE this week and the excitement that goes with preparing for The Big Show☺

TICKETS- Will be on sale at the studio beginning April 12th (& yes, picture night & In-Studio rehearsal week but no during Finale rehearsals) for **\$15.00 pre-sale and at the door.** This price of admission is \$15.00 per spectator. You can have **FOUR spectators per dancer.** You will receive a colored wristband per Act you are in. For example- moms of dancers, if you have a dancer in Act I and II you will pay \$15.00 and turn in your name at the desk and receive 2 different colored wristbands for \$15.00. If you are buying for mom, dad, grandma and grandpa you must turn in their names at the desk & pay \$60.00. **NO** Venmo for wristbands, these must be purchased in the studio, in person paying by cash, check or credit card. When purchasing wristbands please know which Act/s your child is in. This year (unlike last year) you are permitted to watch your entire Act & it's highly suggested so young kids can see older dancers and vice versa. You must change your wristband per Act. Do NOT wear 2 or 3 at a time. It's easier to count and control one color at a time. We have to abide by what the school is telling us and right now that is keeping it 500 or less in the gym. NO REFUNDS on wristbands. People will forget wristbands at home, please be advised it will take time to research each past purchase. If you do not purchase pre-sale, we can't guarantee length of line that day so as always, we advise buying prior to show day. If you have someone purchasing at the door they must turn in your dancer's name and you must have a spot left for us to sell to that person. If you turn in Grandpa Joe's name and he can't make it, yes you can then give it to Aunt Judy and either let us know at the desk or send us an email and we will document the change. **POLICY~ CASH ONLY** at the door~ No checks or credit cards. *Performers must be in costume for admittance. There is no charge for programs.

NO DRESS RHEARSAL THIS YEAR-Unfortunately several circumstances prevent us from having a dress rehearsal. In a normal year, we are in an auditorium and on a stage. Typically, many more backdrops are involved with awesome lighting changes, curtain closings etc. Dress rehearsal was a great time for other students to see other routines. Dress rehearsals were for confidence and using the wings and familiarizing themselves with a completely different ambience in a professional theatre. Sadly, our Butler location isn't available for an entire weekend and it's tricky with logistics. Unfortunately, with covid restrictions still in place we have to limit spectators and therefore couldn't pay for an entire school rental over several days with limited tickets being sold. So once again we will make the most of our one-day of awesome performances. Instead of a dress rehearsal each class (with the exception of teams and acrobat productions) will perform twice in their act. They will perform, take a breath, maybe hear some words from their instructor and then perform again.

RECITAL- Our show date is on Saturday, May 8th all show times listed above. The doors will open 30 minutes prior to each show (we need to sanitize in between shows) so please have your dancer dressed and completely ready for their first number when you arrive. You will park on the BASEBALL side of the Student Activity Center as there may be track events (even with other schools) happening over on the football side. If you purchase your wristband pre-sale at the studio, you will walk in, bypass the ticket table and show your wristband to the door greeter & receive a program before going into the gym. Your child can hang with you until it's time to line-up in the opposite hallway that you came in. Line-up is 5 numbers prior to theirs. Your dancer will give you their mask at that time. Each routine will exit the gym the opposite side they entered. You can meet your child over there & give them their mask and decide if you are leaving, changing or staying for your Act. This year you are permitted to watch the entire Act you are in. If your dancer is only in one Act, you cannot use your wristband for other Acts (I'm sorry, have to stay under 500). If your dancer is in multiple acts, you can leave their items in their dressing space, but everyone has to exit the gym in between Acts so the seats can be sprayed down. Hoping for a beautiful day so you can step outside and grab some fresh air. If your dancer is in multiple Acts, you must have a different colored wristband per Act. We still want to make it special regardless of being in a gym atmosphere once again. You can dress up and make it all about them for the day. We will have flower bouquets you can pre-order and they will be available for pick-up the day of the show in the lobby. There will be other cute items for sale for your dancer and we have a backdrop for pictures for your dancer and their friends. Concessions will be available in the upstairs concession area. We will have food trucks for Act III. You may video your child in the show but please **do not** set up tripods in the way of the viewers. Once again, we will have a professional videotaping the entire recital. See newsletter for additional info. Please **NO** flash photography. It can distract the performers and it is very dangerous. We do not list official performance times but you can think of it this way= approximately 2.5 minutes per routine with all recreation classes performing twice, some have backdrops so there might be delay for set up, 15 minutes per the two Tumbling numbers and 25 minutes for the Ballet Production. A concession stand will be available upstairs and food trucks will be out front for Act III.

APPEARANCE- Please bring the necessary toiletries to get ready (extension cord, curling iron, caboodle, small mirror, rubber bands, safety/bobby pins makeup, lip-stick color required etc). Butler cannot guarantee our dressing room space and it may be the bare minimum and we will have to make do☺ Remember that the performers will be under the bright lights, so make-up is necessary. See teacher or room mom for any details you need per class. Dancers do not wear underwear; please see discount dance supply for all tights, undergarments, shoes or Got Dance in Kettering is a full supply dance store. A nude dance brief can serve as their underwear for the evening. If you are to wear tights...they must be dance tights, not panty hose or target thick tights.

COMMON COURTESY

Many people have asked me to mention recital etiquette (again). Every year during the recital people enter & exit while the kids are dancing. Please wait in between each number to enter an exit so the performers do not get distracted. The gym lighting is one set tone and anything and everything can be a distraction. Let's watch these kiddos dance and cheer for everyone.

We thank you for your cooperation in making each year a success for the performers☺ We appreciate & adore all of your children! Ms. Lori

* The program will be hanging in the studio mid-April. Please check for spelling errors in your child's name.