

Recital Handbook  
for



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## *Frequently Asked Questions*

**How long does dress rehearsal last?** Dress rehearsal lasts approximately 3 hours and 15 minutes. However, you only have to be there for your rehearsal times.

**Is he/she supposed to have makeup on for dress rehearsal night?** Yes; hair, makeup, and costume should be on and ready exactly as it will be for recital. In this way we can be sure there is no confusion.

**Can I go back stage with my child?** Yes, each mom will be responsible for their child until the stage mom takes them and returns them to the dressing area.

**When do I take him/her backstage to get ready for the number?** The child should be in the dressing room 6 numbers before his/her number. Lineup is 4 numbers before their number.

**What do I do if he/she cries and will not go onstage?** In most instances, if you let the teacher handle the situation, they can coax the child to go out. It is best to disappear, which we understand can be difficult.

**Can we leave after he/she performs?** Yes, you are free to leave. However, there is a finale in which everyone is allowed to participate. Also, each child has worked hard the entire dance season and deserves a good audience.

**How long does the recital last?** The recital will last approximately 2 hours and 45 minutes.

*Please observe*

***The East Duplin High School  
Auditorium Rules***

1. No costumes in theatre at any time (stage and backstage only).
2. No dance shoes to be worn in theatre or lobby (stage and backstage only).
3. All dancers need to stay backstage or in lobby (no constant movement from backstage to lobby).
4. No food or drink (except water) allowed backstage or in the theatre.
5. Food and drinks are allowed in lobby only.
6. Ladies restroom in lobby is not to be used as a dressing room.
7. No yelling or any loud noises in the wings or theater (show your appreciation by applause).
8. No running anywhere in building.
9. No standing in aisles or auditorium, everyone must be in a seat at all times.
10. No chewing gum allowed in the building.
11. Mothers enter and leave the auditorium between dances only, through the back of the auditorium.
12. Children are to be supervised at all times.
13. No loitering on/in loading dock/mechanical room at any time.
14. Baby strollers are not allowed in the auditorium. They may be left in the lobby.

A Step of Class welcomes you to the most hectic, but exciting time in the dance year. Putting together a fabulous recital is an enormous responsibility. However, with your patience and support we can handle this task with ease and organization. Please read this handbook carefully as it contains important dates and vital recital information.

***General Information***

Dress rehearsal is on **Thursday, May 23rd**. The recital will be on **Friday, May 24th**. The rehearsal and recital will be at East Duplin High School. A \$25.00 recital fee will be charged per student or \$50.00 for a family of 2 or more. After paying the rate, you may bring as many friends and family as you would like. Let's pack the house!

***The Rehearsal***

Dress rehearsal is on the 23rd, it will take place onstage at East Duplin High School. Dancers are to be in full costume: costume, tights, shoes, makeup, and hair. No underwear under the tights. Dance stores do sell skin colored under garments that may be worn under the costumes. The band room, will be used as the dressing area. Backstage will be crowded, so please have patience. Lineups will go up in the lobby in April. This first lineup is subject to change several times before the show. Please check the lineup for your name and any spelling errors. Be sure to check each number that you will be performing in.

## ***The Recital***

The recital will start at 6:30pm, arrive no earlier than 6:00. Students should be backstage, ready to go, at least 4 numbers before their number. At intermission we will be giving out perfect attendance and trophies for 5, 7, 10, and 15 years of dance at A Step of Class. A sign up sheet for these awards will be put in the lobby. On rehearsal night, please pick up your trophy or perfect attendance certificate at the designated table. It will be your responsibility to bring it back the night of the show for recognition at the intermission.

During the recital, no videotaping or flash photography is permitted. Parker and Associates will be videotaping the show. You may videotape the rehearsal. For your convenience, we will be selling bouquets of carnations and memorable recital t-shirts at the door. Recital is 2 hours and 45 minutes. We encourage you to stay for the whole show and participate in the final number that is put on by all of the students in the studio. However, if you are unable to stay for the whole performance, you can leave after your child's number. Please exit between numbers so as not to disturb the rest of the audience.

## ***How You can Help***

***Stage Mommies:*** We will need 1 parent per 8 children in a class to volunteer in helping classes move to and from the stage. Stage mommies are not responsible for dressing students. If you are interested, please see Ms. Tammy for more information.

## ***Recital Hints***

### Makeup

Ages 3-9 Base, Brown Eye Shadow, Pink Blush, Lipstick  
Ages 10 & up Base, Brown Eye Shadow, Eye Liner, Mascara, Blush, Lipstick  
Boys Blush, lipstick  
\*If specific makeup is required, the teacher will inform you

### Hair

All hair must be secured up off the neck! A french braid works nice with all head pieces and tumbling tricks. Buns are pretty for Ballet, Jazz and Tap. If a specific hair style is required for a class, the teacher will inform you.

### Shoes

Please tuck all ballet shoe strings inside the shoe. A gum eraser (from the arts and crafts section), Clorox wipes, or Fantastic cleans ballet and tap shoes. Please put your child's name in all shoes and costumes. Shoes do not have to be new, but they **must** be what is called for on the costume posters in the lobby.  
\*\*\* No Jewelry or Fingernail Polish!\*\*\*

### ***Picture Dates***

Hardison Photography will be taking both group and individual pictures this year. Pictures will be taken during regular class times unless the teacher says otherwise. Picture dates will be April 8th & 9th. Please come to the studio in your recital costume. There will be no regular classes on these days.

### ***Recital Music***

Practice makes perfect! Included in your costume purchase is a downloadable version of your dancer's music. You can find this music on your Studio Director account.