

TDS Recital FAQ's



TICKETING:

1. How many tickets can I purchase for my child's show(s)?

Each dance family is allotted up to 10 tickets per show to purchase through Saturday, June 12th. After June 12th, remaining unpurchased tickets will be opened for sale on a first-come, first-serve basis for anyone who wishes to purchase additional tickets above their allotted 10.

2. How much are tickets?

Tickets are \$15 each, general admission. Children ages 2 and under are admitted free. Cash or check only. Debit/Credit will NOT be accepted for ticket payments at any time. Tickets will be CASH ONLY beginning Monday, June 14th.

3. When and where can I purchase my tickets?

Tickets will be available for purchase at the studio at the following days/times, cash or check only (no debit/credit):

- Thursday, June 3rd :: 4-7pm
- Saturday, June 5th :: 9:30-11:30am
- Tuesday, June 8th :: 4-7pm
- Saturday, June 12th :: 9:30-11:30am

Remaining unpurchased tickets will be available for purchase at a first-come, first-serve basis, CASH ONLY, at the following days/times:

- Monday, June 14th :: 5-6pm
- Tuesday, June 15th :: 5-7pm **June ½ Mo. Tuition due date**
- Wednesday, June 16th :: 5-6pm
- Thursday, June 17th :: 5-6pm

4. My child / children are in different shows or more than 1 show. Do I need to purchase separate tickets for each show?

Yes. Since we expanded to three shows this year to accommodate for less audience/lobby and dressing room congestion due to COVID-19, we have dropped our ticket prices from our usual rates to accommodate families who will be attending more than one show.

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5. Will we be required to sit socially distanced from others? Will masks be required?

As of May 29th, the State of Massachusetts will lift all bans on capacity limitations, and mask mandates will be rescinded. The Dancer's Sole's main priority is keep our students, staff and families safe. We strongly encourage unvaccinated individuals to continue to wear a mask or facial covering correctly, over the mouth and nose.

We also strongly encourage parties to sit together and to try not to crowd other families and individuals. Socially distancing will be encouraged - but not required - with our general admission ticketing. Please use your best judgment and be respectful of others. We kindly expect our Recital to be an enjoyable, safe and comfortable setting for ALL involved, and we appreciate our guests helping us to create this environment.

Dancers who are unvaccinated are encouraged to continue to wear masks / facial coverings; ultimately, this is the decision of each child's parent or guardian, and TDS respects each family's choices. If your child will be wearing a mask for their Recital performance, please wear a neutral color (no patterns – black, nude, etc.) or find a color match it to the child's costume(s).

The Dancer's Sole faculty will continue to be masked – whether vaccinated or not – through the end of the 2020-21 dance year. This is for the comfort of our dance families and the safety of our staff. Mask-wearing will be re-evaluated for summer and fall programs per the requirements and recommendations of the State of MA.

DRESS REHEARSAL:

1. When and where is Dress Rehearsal?

Dress Rehearsal will be held at Bartlett High School, Webster MA in the late afternoon & evening of Friday, June 18th.

2. Is Dress Rehearsal mandatory?

Yes! Any TDS dancer who does not attend their designated Dress Rehearsal block will not be allowed to participate in the show(s) on Saturday, June 19th.

3. What time does my child have to be at Dress Rehearsal?

Visit the **Recital 2021** tab on our website for our Dress Rehearsal block schedule: www.TheDancersSole.com/recital-2021.html.

Once your child has performed at Dress Rehearsal, we kindly ask them to leave / be picked up at the end of their block so we can continue in an orderly fashion with minimal crowding.

4. Are parents / guests allowed to watch Dress Rehearsal?

Pre-Dance, Rising Stars, Move 'N Groove Hip-Hop and Cheer Dance classes will be allowed to have one parent or guardian watch their scheduled block at Dress Rehearsal. A wristband will be required for this parent / guardian to enter the Auditorium at Dress Rehearsal – no exceptions! The designated wristbands will be handed out each dancer's parent at pickup at the last class of the season (Saturday, June 12th through Wednesday, June 16th).

ALL other TDS dancers not in one of the groups listed above will NOT be allowed to have a

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parent / guest attend Dress Rehearsal except for drop-off and pick-up. Parents will be asked to return at the end of their child's schedule block to pick them up. All dancers must check out at the end of the Rehearsal to ensure that they are picked up safely and appropriately.

5. Can I purchase tickets at Dress Rehearsal?

No, the last day of ticket sales for all shows will be Thursday, June 17th at the studio. Tickets will not be available at Dress Rehearsal or at the door on the day of the show.

6. What does my child wear to Dress Rehearsal?

Believe it or not, we do NOT have dancers wear their costumes at Dress Rehearsal! This keeps things moving quickly and smoothly, and also keeps the element of surprise for show day! All dancers should wear:

- Leotard with pink or tan tights
- Any style, all-black athletic bottoms: dance shorts, leggings, etc.
- ***2021 Recital T-Shirt***
- Bring appropriate dance shoes that you are planning to wear at your performance
- Hair neatly up and off the face
- Male Dancers: Any style all-black bottoms, bring appropriate dance shoes, ***2021 Recital t-shirt***

***Recital T-Shirts** will be distributed during the last full week of classes prior to Recital! (Saturday June 12th – Thursday, June 17th)

RECITAL DAY:

1. What time does my dancer need to be at the Recital?

All dancers – regardless of age, level or when they are dancing within their show time – must arrive and check-in at least 30 minutes prior to their designated show time.

2. What should my child wear to Recital?

Dancers should arrive hair and makeup ready in their costume, minus their dance shoes (bring separately; please label the inside of each shoe with your child's full name). We encourage dancers to wear an oversized shirt (Dads' or Grandpas' button downs work great for this purpose!) to keep the element of surprise for Recital guests.

- If your child is in more than one routine, they should come dressed and fully ready for their first routine of the show. Lineups will be available during the last week classes so you can appropriately prepare.
- Company Dancers should come in their Finale attire and their Company Jackets

3. Once my child's routine performs in the show, can they leave?

No, all dancers must stay backstage for the entire show performance. We have plenty of chaperones and will bring safe activities to keep them busy. The shows will be shorter than normal this year due to dividing our dancers into three shows instead of our usual two shows. ****All of our dancers and teachers work so hard throughout the year – especially this year! – and it is disheartening for us to see people leave mid-show and not cheer on the remaining performers. We promise smooth-moving, fun-filled performances with lots of variety and talent! ♥**

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4. What will be available at Recital for purchase?

- **Flower bouquets** will be available for purchase – save a trip to the florist! Prices will be very reasonable, and will be first-come, first serve.
- **Raffle tickets** will be available for three AMAZING prizes: lottery, liquor and the coveted FREE CLASS PASS for 2021-22! You will not want to miss your chances of winning one of these great prizes!
- **Food/Drink** including water, soda, bagged snacks (chips, pretzels, candy, etc.)
- **TDS Merchandise** including bags, t-shirts, stickers, etc. – makes a great Recital Day gift for your favorite star!
- **Recital DVD Order Forms** will be available at the studio as well as at Dress Rehearsal and on the day of Recital. DVD Orders will be accepted until Saturday, June 26th.

****ALL RECITAL DAY PURCHASES WILL BE CASH ONLY****

[DVD Orders can be cash, check or credit/debit]

BACKSTAGE / COSTUMING:

1. Are parents / guests allowed backstage before, during or after the performances?

We have a strict policy of absolutely NO parents or guests backstage at any time during the Recital performances. This is for the safety of your children!

One female chaperone per dancer is allowed backstage prior to the show for check-in and drop-off of belongings. Chaperones will be kindly ask to move to the lobby or auditorium promptly after drop-off.

A parent volunteer will be seated at the main entrance to the backstage area at all times during the show to ensure that children do not exit and parents do not enter.

2. My child / children are in multiple routines. How will they be able to change their costumes and hair without my help?

Our Senior Company Dancers as well as TDS Alumni return to work backstage at every show. Each dancer who is in multiple routines and needs assistance will be assigned a backstage helper (ages 8 and under). Dancers ages 8+ will be shown the designated area & chaperones where they can ask for help if needed.

3. Where can I meet my child after the show to ensure they are picked up safely?

Pre-Dance, Rising Stars, Move 'N Groove Hip-Hop and Cheer Dance students will be released by class at the end of the Recital performance into the audience. We will ask one parent or guardian to come up to the front of the stage (by class) to pick up their child. All other dancers will exit the stage back into the dressing room to gather their belongings. One female chaperone per dancer will be permitted backstage at the end of the show to meet their dancer and pickup any belongings backstage.

4. My son is a dancer at TDS, performing in the show. Will he be backstage with the female dancers?

Our male dancers have a separate area backstage, fully chaperoned at all times. We keep the male dancers (regardless of age) separate from the main dressing room for the comfort of our female dancers who change costumes multiple times throughout the show.

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5. How do I know what my child's hair, makeup, tights, shoes etc. should be for their performance?

Visit the **Recital 2021** tab on our website for all above information:
www.TheDancersSole.com/recital-2021.html.

There is document for each day of week for all recreational classes. For example, if your child is in Pre-Dance with Miss Greta on Wednesdays at 4:30pm, click the button that says "Wednesday Classes" under the Recital 2021 tab. Scroll to find your child's class within the document.

Company Dancers: Please continue to wear your hair, makeup, tights, earrings and false eyelashes as you did for our competition season.