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Hello DITW Families,

I am SO excited for our upcoming Winter Recital! We have had such a wonderful semester and I can't wait for you all to see what these dancers have been working so hard on! It is going to be an incredible show full of fun dances that will get everyone in the holiday spirit!

Please take the time to read through this entire packet. **Reading this packet is the best way to be sure you and your dancer will be prepared for all aspects of the recital weekend.** It is a lot of information, but it is all important information that you need to know to ensure that you and your dancer have a wonderful and stress-free recital experience!

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Important Dates

Event	Date	Location	Time
PreSchool Acro Dress Rehearsal	Friday, December 4th	Bondurant Auditorium @ Radford University	4:00-4:30pm
Level 1 and Level 2 Dress Rehearsal	Friday, December 4th	Bondurant Auditorium @ Radford University	4:30-6:00pm
Level 3 and Up Dress Rehearsal	Friday, December 4th	Bondurant Auditorium @ Radford University	6:00-9:00pm
Winter Recital - Show #1 ***(PreSchool, Level 1, Level 2 dancers)***	Saturday, December 5th	Bondurant Auditorium @ Radford University	Dancers Arrive: 12:00pm Doors Open to Public: 12:00pm Show Begins: 1:00pm
Winter Recital - Show #2 ***(Level 3+ dancers)***	Saturday, December 5th	Bondurant Auditorium @ Radford University	Dancers Arrive: 5:00pm Doors Open to Public: 5:00pm Show Begins: 6:00pm

Ticket Information

Recital tickets will be sold at the studio
Monday, November 23rd through Thursday, December 3rd.

There will be a table set up at the door where you can purchase your tickets during class changes. Please bring payment in the form of **cash or check**.
We will NOT be sending invoices for tickets.

Ticket Prices		
ADULT	*CHILD (AGES 4-16)*	*AGES 3 AND UNDER*
$15	**$10**	**FREE**

Each family will receive two free parent tickets. This is included in the recital fee that you paid at the beginning of the year. They will be available for pick-up at the door starting Monday, November 23rd. The final day to purchase tickets at the studio is Thursday, December 3rd.

Important Ticket Reminders

- **Please place your tickets in a safe space as we are unable to replace them in the event they are lost or damaged.**
- Tickets will NOT be sold at the dress rehearsal.
- Tickets will also be available to purchase at the door the day of the recital for $15, but we do encourage you to purchase your tickets beforehand to ensure your guests get a seat!

Recital Hair and Makeup Information

Please take a moment to remind your dancer that we wear make-up for recitals because of the bright lights on stage. Remind your dancer that they are **beautiful** with and without makeup, but that we have to wear make-up so that the stage lights don't wash their faces out!

When applying your child's recital makeup, put on more than you think they need. It might seem like a lot, but the bright lights will wash their faces out. The make-up helps to accentuate their features so that their smiles and expressions can shine on stage!

Make-Up: Apply the following make-up for recital. All make-up must be applied BEFORE you arrive at the auditorium!

- Foundation: Use a medium coverage foundation to even out skin tones and create a good base for other make-up. Adding a pressed powder over the liquid foundation will help set the foundation and make-up last all day.
- Eye Shadow: We suggest using browns and neutrals for eye shadow. If you are unsure of what to use - we like the Revlon Colorstay 500 Addictive palette. It is affordable and can be purchased at any drug store. Use the darker colors in the crease of the eye and the lighter colors on the lid and brow bone.
- Eyeliner: Dancers ages 7 and under are not required to wear eyeliner, but all other dancers should wear a thin line of eyeliner that "wings" out very slightly past the outer edge of the eye to give a "cat eye" look.
- Mascara: Apply mascara to the top and bottom lashes. It helps to hold the wand still and ask your dancer to blink rather than to try to move the wand around their eyes. For younger dancers, it can also help to have them lay down in your lap and close their eyes while you apply the mascara.
- Blush: Apply a rosy color to the cheekbones.
- Lipstick: We like a bright red lip that stands out on stage to bring attention to their smiles! No pink please!

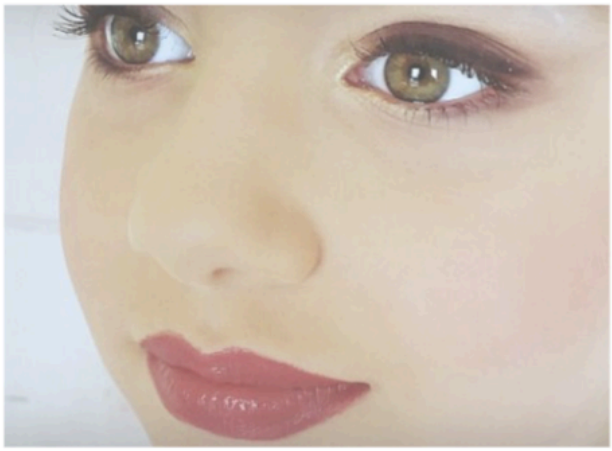
Hair: Hair should be in a bun at the crown of the head. Make sure to use lots of hair spray and/or gel and lots of bobby pins to make sure that your child's bun doesn't fall out on stage!

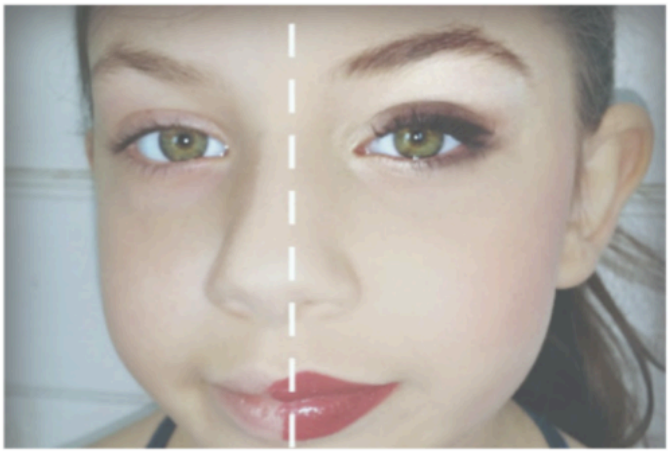
Use the following link if you need a tutorial on how to do a great recital bun....
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Loypr_bsFo&t=132s

Turn to the next page for some picture examples of recital makeup and hair to help!





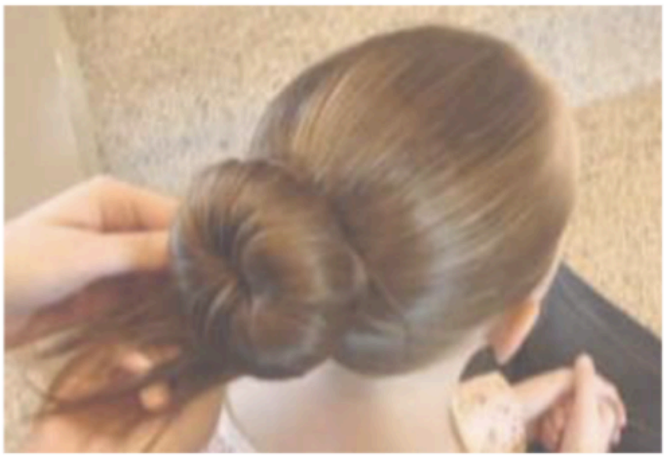












Jewelry

Only small rhinestone stud earrings are allowed for recital. Appropriate recital earrings can be purchased at Upstage Dance Supply for $12 if you choose to wear them. Post back and clip on earrings are available.

Undergarments

No regular undergarments should be worn under your child's costumes and tights. The tights are meant to act as the dancer's underwear worn during performances.

All adult sized costumes are double lined and all child size costumes are either double lined or made of thick materials to ensure full coverage. If your dancer feels that they need a bra under the costume, please ensure that they have a dance bra and NOT a regular or sports bra. Dance bras have clear straps and are nude in order to not distract from the costume while still providing additional support.

Dance bras can be purchased at Upstage Dance Supply if you feel your child needs additional support.

SHOW #1 (1:00pm) - ACT I

	ROUTINE NAME	CLASS	COSTUME	TIGHTS	SHOES	DANCERS
1	**A 1950's Swinging Christmas**	DITW Competition Team	N/A	Tan	Tan jazz	(52) All DITW Competition Teams
2	**Marshmallow World**	Ballet/Jazz I (Wed) - Ballet	White tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(12) Aurora T, Avery N, Avery S, Charleigh S, Ellis H, Emily S, Frankie N, Jolee G, Mercy H, Nora R, Sawyer P, Saylor D
3	**The Santa Wrap**	Hip-Hop II	Red shiny jacket/legging	Tan	Black/white tennis shoe	(13) Alani G, Caroline T, Chloe L, Emma G, Everleigh C, Evie H, Hadley M, Harper T, Jovie H, Marianna S, Mila H, Payton G, Sydney D
4	**Can You Believe It's Finally Christmas**	Ballet/Jazz I (Tue) - Jazz	Red tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(6) Adalia T, Elora W, Lila M, Riley C, Ryleigh M, Theodore C (BOY)
5	**Radio City Christmas**	Senior Team	Red/white dress	Tan	Tan character	(8) Senior Competition Team
6	**Joy**	Ballet/Jazz II (Tue) - Jazz	Light green tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(11) Aliza H, Anna K, Caroline T, Everleigh D, Evie H, Lennon H, Lydia B, Naomi S, Nora B, Ozella P, Zoey C
7	**Silver Bells**	Ballet/Jazz II (Wed) - Ballet	Long sleeve red tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(6) Amelia D, Annalia N, Claire S, Eden L, Hadley M, Katherine S
8	**Waltz of the Flowers**	Pre-Teen, Junior, Mini, Petite, Premiere, Tiny Teams	Pink/green tutus	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(35) Pre-Teen, Junior, Mini, Petite, Premiere, Tiny Teams
9	**Elf**	Tap I	Red tutu and elf headband	Red/white stripes	Black tap	(10) Calliope U, Caroline T, Clara H, Eden C, Everleigh D, Hadley M, Lydia B, Naomi S, Nora B, Willa B
10	**We Need a Little Christmas**	Elizabeth & Sofia	Red/green dress	Tan	Tan jazz	(2) Elizabeth & Sofia
11	**Cheetahlicious Christmas**	Hip-Hop I	Red jacket and short set	Tan	Black/white tennis shoes	(10) Amelia D, Blakely G, Charleigh H, ChoZynn R, Henleigh G, Jolee G, Naomi S, Ozella P, Quinlyn C, Riley C
12	**Waltz of the Snowflakes**	Teen & Senior Teams	White/blue tutus	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(17) Teen & Senior Teams

Intermission - 15 minutes

SHOW #1 (1:00pm) - ACT II

	ROUTINE NAME	CLASS	COSTUME	TIGHTS	SHOES	DANCERS
1	**Hallelujah**	Acro VI	Blue top/skirt	Tan stirrup	N/A	(13) Add M, Anna W, Elena D, Emma S, Emmalyn M, Everly D, Italy M, Keegan E, Makinlee H, Molly N, Presley D, Raleigh M, Zoey M
2	**Elves Just Wanna Have Fun**	PreSchool Acro I	Red tutu	Tan stirrup	N/A	(7) Adalia T, Callie L, Heidi H, Kiera G, Landyn C, Maci M, Maven H
3	**You Make It Feel Like Christmas**	Acro I (Thur)	Red skirt	Tan stirrup	N/A	(7) Amelia D, Aurora T, Blakely G, Elora W, Everleigh D, Henleigh G. Naomi S
4	**Christmas In California**	Acro V	Black/gold biketard	Tan stirrup	N/A	(11) Charlotte C, Edie W, Ella L, Eva S, Kaia H, Olivia W, Paisley H, Piper L, Raegan W, Sofia N, Valley Rhea R
5	**Feels Like Christmas**	Acro II	Red peplum biketard	Tan stirrup	N/A	(8) Alani G, Caroline T, Chloe L, Everleigh C, Evie H, Harper T, Jovie H, Lennon H
6	**Jingle Jangle**	Acro I (Mon)	Red sequin biketard	Tan stirrup	N/A	(5) Eden C, Emery W, Madelyn P, Presley B, Sawyer P
7	**Spanish**	Graduating Seniors	Red/black dress	Pink	Pointe	(3) Eliza, Ella, Emery
8	**Sweet Gingerbread Man**	Ballet/Jazz I (Wed) - Jazz	Gingerbread dress	Tan	Pink ballet	(12) Aurora T, Avery N, Avery S, Charleigh S, Ellis H, Emily S, Frankie N, Jolee G, Mercy H, Nora R, Sawyer P, Saylor D
9	**The Christmas Waltz**	Ballet/Jazz I (Tue) - Ballet	Teal/silver tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(6) Adalia T, Elora W, Lila M, Riley C, Ryleigh M, Theodore C (BOY)
10	**Sugarplum**	Modern	Purple jumpsuit	Tan	N/A	(21) Addy M, Anna W, Edie W, Elena D, Eliza B, Ella L, Ella S, Emery H, Emma S, Emmalyn M, Everly D, Heidi B, Keegan E, Makinlee H, Molly N, Nora W, Piper L, Presley D, Raleigh M, Serenity J, Zoey M
11	**Mrs. Santa Claus**	Ballet/Jazz II (Tue) - Ballet	Red tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(11) Aliza H, Anna K, Caroline T, Everleigh D, Evie H, Lennon H, Lydia B, Naomi S, Nora B, Ozella P, Zoey C
12	**Run, Run Rudolph**	Ballet/Jazz II (Wed) - Jazz	Green tutu	Tan	Pink ballet	(6) Amelia D, Annalia N, Claire S, Eden L, Hadley M, Katherine S
13	**Mary Did You Know**	Senior Team	Red dress	Tan stirrup	Tan turners	(17) Senior & Teen Competition Teams
Final Bows						

SHOW #2 (6:00pm) - ACT I

	ROUTINE NAME	CLASS	COSTUME	TIGHTS	SHOES	DANCERS
1	**A 1950's Swinging Christmas**	DITW Competition Team	N/A	Tan	Tan jazz	(52) All DITW Competition Teams
2	**Skating**	Ballet/Jazz III - Ballet	Light green tutu	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(8) Adilyn T, Alani G, Arlyn R, Bella K, Kendall D, Lana H, Piper G, Rilynn A
3	**The Santa Wrap**	Hip-Hop II	Red shiny jacket/legging	Tan	Black/white tennis shoe	(13) Alani G, Caroline T, Chloe L, Emma G, Everleigh C, Evie H, Hadley M, Harper T, Jovie H, Marianna S, Mila H, Payton G, Sydney D
4	**Alone For Christmas**	Hip-Hop V	Red pant/top	Tan	Black/white tennis shoe	(13) Addy M, Anna W, Attaleah B, Ella S, Emery H, Emmalyn M, Everly D, Heidi B, Keegan E, Makinlee H, Molly N, Nora W, Zoey M
5	**You Can Fly**	Ballet/Jazz IV - Jazz	Burgundy/black skirt	Tan	Black jazz	(9) Amelia L, Cierra L, Emma B, Evelyn C, Jemma B, Kendi B, Layla B, Madlynn R, Sadie L
6	**Waltz of the Flowers**	Pre-Teen, Junior, Mini, Petite, Premiere, Tiny Teams	Pink/green tutus	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(35) Pre-Teen, Junior, Mini, Petite, Premiere, Tiny Teams
7	**Radio City Christmas**	Senior Team	Red/white dress	Tan	Tan character	(8) Senior Competition Team
8	**Sleigh Ride**	Hip-Hop III	White/black	Tan	Black/white tennis shoe	(7) Adina G, Amelia L, Cierra L, Eva S, Evelyn C, Jemma B, Kinsley J
9	**Holly Jolly Christmas**	Tap II	Red jumpsuit	Tan	Black tap	(11) Adley D, Alani G, Annistyn V, Emma B, Everly D, Jovie H, Lana H, Layla B, Mila H, Olivia C, Sadie L
10	**We Need a Little Christmas**	Elizabeth & Sofia	Red/green dress	Tan	Tan jazz	(2) Elizabeth & Sofia
11	**Grinch 2000**	Hip-Hop IV	Green/black	Tan	Black/white tennis shoe	(10) Alex C, Edie W, Elena D, Emma S, Harper G, Haia H, Piper L, Presley D, Raegan W, Serenity W
12	**Waltz of the Snowflakes**	Teen & Senior Teams	White/blue tutus	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(17) Teen & Senior Teams

Intermission - 15 minutes

SHOW #1 (1:00pm) - ACT II						
	ROUTINE NAME	**CLASS**	**COSTUME**	**TIGHTS**	**SHOES**	**DANCERS**
1	**Hallelujah**	Acro VI	Blue top/skirt	Tan stirrup	N/A	(13) Add M, Anna W, Elena D, Emma S, Emmalyn M, Everly D, Italy M, Keegan E, Makinlee H, Molly N, Presley D, Raleigh M, Zoey M
2	**The Holidays Are Comin'**	Acro IV	Light green dress	Tan stirrup	N/A	(6) Felicity P, Harper A, Kinsley J, Layla P, Madilynn B, Olivia C
3	**Christmas In California**	Acro V	Black/gold biketard	Tan stirrup	N/A	(11) Charlotte C, Edie W, Ella L, Eva S, Kaia H, Olivia W, Paisley H, Piper L, Raegan W, Sofia N, Valley Rhea R
4	**Very Merry**	Acro III	Green biketard	Tan stirrup	N/A	(8) Camryn C, Caroline G, Cierra L, Haven S, Lana H, Mila H, Piper G, Zoey L
5	**Spanish**	Graduating Seniors	Red/black dress	Pink	Pointe	(3) Eliza, Ella, Emery
6	**I Saw Three Ships**	Ballet/Jazz IV - Ballet	Red tutu	Pink transition	Pink ballet	(9) Amelia L, Cierra L, Emma B, Evelyn C, Jemma B, Kendi B, Layla B, Madlynn R, Sadie L
7	**Sugarplum**	Modern	Purple jumpsuit	Tan	N/A	(21) Addy M, Anna W, Edie W, Elena D, Eliza B, Ella L, Ella S, Emery H, Emma S, Emmalyn M, Everly D, Heidi B, Keegan E, Makinlee H, Molly N, Nora W, Piper L, Presley D, Raleigh M, Serenity J, Zoey M
8	**Little Saint Nick**	Ballet/Jazz III - Jazz	Red fringe dress	Tan	Black jazz	(8) Adilyn T, Alani G, Arlyn R, Bella K, Kendall D, Lana H, Piper G, Rilynn A
9	**Home For the Holidays**	Tap III	Red long sleeve dress	Tan	Black tap	(8) Elena D, Kaia H, Lexxi L, Madalynn R, Maylee H, Piper L, Presley D, Raegan W
10	**Mary Did You Know**	Senior Team	Red dress	Tan stirrup	Tan turners	(17) Senior & Teen Competition Teams
Final Bows						

Note: Acro II and Hip-Hop II perform in BOTH shows because several of the dancers have routines in one show and not the other. To prevent their families from having to attend both shows to see all of their routines, we will do these dances in both. If your child is in either of those routines and you have concerns about them performing in both routines, please reach out to Morgan to discuss.

Note: Tap II is ONLY in Show #2 despite it being a Level II class.

Dress Rehearsal Information

Friday, December 4th

SCHEDULE	
PreSchool Acro	*Arrival Window: 3:45-4:00pm* ***Dress Rehearsal: 4:00-4:30pm***
Level I and Level II Classes *(excluding Tap II which will rehearse with Level III+)*	*Arrival Window: 4:15-4:30pm* ***Dress Rehearsal: 4:30-6:00pm***
Level III+ Classes *(and Tap II)*	*Arrival Window: 5:45-6:00pm* ***Dress Rehearsal: 6:00-9:00pm***

Please arrive at Bondurant Auditorium on the campus of Radford University during your child's arrival window. Please do not be late, but please do not arrive before your child's arrival window (listed above)!

Bondurant Auditorium is located inside Preston Hall, which is attached to Martin Hall.

Arrival: Upon arrival, please check in with a member of our staff at the check in table in the hallway. Then you and your dancer can head to the auditorium and find a seat while waiting for your dancer's routine.

Parent Supervision: Each dancer age 10 and under must have an adult present in the theater for the entire rehearsal. If you cannot attend, please arrange for another dance parent to be responsible for your child and **email me in advance** with their name.

Auditorium Etiquette: Please keep conversations quiet, take phone calls in the lobby, and clean up any trash before leaving.

Questions? Please email missmorgan@dancinginthewings.com with any questions or suggestions. Staff will be busy assisting dancers, so email is the best way to ensure you receive a response.

Dismissal for PreSchool, Level I, and Level II Dancers

Once PreSchool Acro, Level I, and Level II rehearsals are finished, dancers will be dismissed to their parents and may leave. If you choose to stay, your dancer must remain seated with you. **Once dismissed, dancers are no longer under staff supervision.**

Dismissal for All Other Dancers

During dress rehearsal, we will run the recital in show order. Once your child's class(es) have finished, I will announce their dismissal. **Please do not leave early**, as we may need to run certain routines again to address spacing, lighting, choreography, or other adjustments.

We will do our best to dismiss dancers as early as possible, but please be prepared to stay until **9:00pm**. Dress rehearsals can be unpredictable, and we appreciate your patience as we prepare for a great recital!

Please take all belongings home! Be sure your dancer leaves with their garment bag and everything they brought to rehearsal.

What to Bring/Wear

- **First Costume:** Dancers must arrive in their first costume. Refer to the show order for costume details.
- **Garment Bag:** Dancers should only bring their provided black garment bag. Hang costumes inside and place shoes, extra tights, hair/makeup supplies, and accessories in the back zipper pocket. No additional bags are needed.
- **Label Everything:** Please label all belongings with your dancer's name or initials, including costumes, shoes, tights, and water bottles.
- **Hair & Makeup:** Hair must be in a bun at the crown of the head. Makeup is encouraged but not required for dress rehearsal.
- **Food & Drinks:** Food is not permitted while in costumes. Only water is allowed while dancers are in costume.
- **Personal Items:** Please do not send toys, tablets, phones, or other personal items with your dancer.

Recital Information

Saturday, December 5th

SHOW #1 - 1:00pm

PreSchool, Level I, Level II

Dancers Arrive: 12:00pm

Doors Open to Public: 12:00pm

SHOW #2 - 6:00pm

Level III and Up

Dancers Arrive: 5:00pm

Doors Open to Public: 5:00pm

PLEASE do NOT try to enter early! *Every single year people try to get in (and even sneak in) early and it is a huge inconvenience to our staff who are preparing to have everything running smoothly when the doors open one hour before the show. There is a PAID staff of around 30 people who are all working hard to make sure things go exactly as planned, and when people force their way in early, we cannot do that!* ***Thank you for your cooperation and helping us keep things running smoothly for our dancers!***

Dancer Arrival & Check-In

All dancers must arrive at Bondurant Auditorium **one hour before their scheduled showtime.** Dancers will check in with staff at the end of the hallway and be escorted backstage to their dressing rooms.

Parking

Weekend parking is permitted throughout campus. However, parking on grass, mulch, sidewalks, or fire lanes is prohibited and may result in a ticket.

Parking is limited! Please encourage guests to arrive early to allow time to park and walk to the auditorium.

Seating

Auditorium doors open one hour before each show. Parents may find their seats after dropping off their dancers at the dancer check-in table. **Saving large groups of seats is not permitted.** There is plenty of seating for everyone!

Backstage Policy

As with dress rehearsal, **parents are not permitted backstage during the recital.** Our staff, assistant teachers, and volunteers will ensure dancers are dressed, prepared, and in the right place so parents can relax and enjoy the show!

If your child needs you during the performance, your name will be announced over the microphone.

Tickets

Additional tickets will be available for purchase at the door for a cost of $20/ticket (cash only).

All guests must have their tickets with them to be admitted to the recital. Members of our staff will be at the door to accept tickets upon entry.

Concessions

Concessions will be available before the show and during intermission. All proceeds go towards our competition teams' fees.

Run Times

Show #1 has a run time of 2.5 hours. Show #2 has a run time of 2 hours. Both shows have a 15 minute intermission.

Trash in Auditorium

Please make sure that you pick up any of your trash from concessions and dispose of it before exiting the building. Please also encourage your guests to clean up their trash as well!