

The Andover School of Ballet - Jazz, Tap & More

2026 Grande Finale Information ~ Please Read and Follow these directions!

Mandatory DRESS REHEARSAL for ALL Performers on Sat., May 16, 2026

at West Middle School auditorium, 70 Shawsheen Road, Andover, MA 01810

~ **At Home:**

***Get Dressed** in the costume/ leotard/ dance dress for your **First or Only Dance** and **CARRY** with you the correct dance shoes & any other costumes/dance attire that you need.

***Arrange Hair** into the correct hairstyle with headpiece for the student's first (or only) dance.

***If you are enrolled in a level that uses stage make-up, APPLY Your Stage Make-up at Home.**

*Also, **BRING** a quiet, non-messy activity to do while waiting (book, small game, coloring book/crayons {no markers}), especially if you have several dances to rehearse.

~ **Arrive On Time. Check the Dress Rehearsal Schedule** (separate page). **Make Sure you are INSIDE** the cafeteria at the **Arrival Time given for your class(es)**. One parent/guardian should attend/stay to assist each younger dancer at Dress Rehearsal and Do NOT invite guests. Park in the school's parking lots, NOT around the half-circle drive in front of the auditorium, as you may be towed from there. Leave yourself enough time to walk in from parking lot.

~ **Go to the Cafeteria** and sit quietly at the table assigned to your class while you wait for your turn. Follow directions of the Stage Manager, Teachers, and other staff/ helpers. Each class will rehearse their dance ONCE on the stage.

Please remember, EVERYONE needs to remain quiet, calm, and focused at rehearsal – thank you!

> **NOTE: it is extremely important that ALL performers come to Dress Rehearsal.** Dancers who miss the dress rehearsal will feel lost and confused at the performance. It also confuses the **other** dancers, making it harder for them to follow the intricate spatial patterns of their dances.

> **During Saturday's Dress Rehearsal**, one parent will be allowed into the auditorium to quietly watch while their child's class is on stage and may take Videos and Photos at this time (but NO Flash, Ever!!). During **Sunday's performance**, do **NOT** take photos or videos, as the lights from video devices, phones etc. are distracting to those seated around you, and Flash is dangerous for the dancers on stage, as it may cause them to lose their balance. A professional videographer will video Sunday's performances & each student will receive a digital download link to the video of the edited show.

ON SATURDAY, When You Are Done Rehearsing Your One Dance or ALL of Your Dances, You May Leave!

PERFORMANCE on SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

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SUNDAY CURTAIN TIME: 2:00 PM SHARP

~ **AT Home:** Style Hair, Apply Stage Make-up (if needed), Get Dressed for your First/Only Dance, and Carry In your shoes & other costumes, make-up, extra hair supplies, etc.

~ **Arrive On Time ...**

> **Dancers in the following classes: Arrive by 1:00 PM** (warm-up class shortly thereafter)
ASB Dance Co. / Jazz & Tap 4 & 5 / Contemporary / Ballet 6, 5/5+, 4+, 4 / Advanced Pointe

> **All Classes Other Than the Above - Arrive by 1:30 PM**, dressed & ready for your first dance

On Performance Day - Dancers should be dropped off by one adult in the cafeteria at their designated class table. **All Guests** should proceed to the auditorium, present their ticket, and find a seat (general seating). ***DANCERS - NO Food**, but please bring a small, quiet, non-messy activity to do while you are waiting (a book, coloring book & crayons (no markers), a game). **You may bring a water bottle, labeled with your name.**