

KELLEY'S DANCE CRAZE 2025-26 DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL PACKET

*ALL OF THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION
YOU WILL NEED TO KNOW FOR THE
2026 KDC DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL



KDC DRESS REHEARSAL- SATURDAY MAY 30, 2026

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

(*SEE DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET)

KDC'S 8TH ANNUAL RECITAL "HEROES VS VILLAINS"

SUNDAY JUNE 7, 2026 AT 1:00 PM

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

(*COMP DANCERS ARRIVE BY 11:45, RECITAL DANCERS ARRIVE BY 12:15)

ONLINE TICKET SALES

Tickets can be purchased online beginning Monday, May 18th at 6:00 pm
(*Comp families only- a code will be required. It will be sent via email).

Tickets can be purchased online beginning Tuesday, May 19th at 6:00 pm
(*Recital families- no code required as of 6:00 pm)

The website for ordering tickets is: <https://27864.recitalticketing.com/>

This link will also be posted in our weekly emails, June Newsletter, and on our studio website.

Tickets are \$25.00 each, and RESERVED SEATING!!!

There is a limit of 8 tickets per Recital Student at this time, due to being at a smaller venue this year.

Recital ticket sales will be open to the public (if we still have remaining seats) on Wednesday, May 27th. We will give a warning if we are close to selling out.

*****RECITAL TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE*****

***Tickets are purchased through a site which is separate from KDC- you will need to contact them directly with any questions regarding your tickets.**



REQUIRED HAIR FOR DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL

All dancers have a required hairstyle for each of their dances. In some cases, their hair will remain the same for multiple dances. In some cases, it changes. Please be sure to have the proper tools and hair supplies packed in your child's dance bag to help our backstage volunteers if they will have to change your child's hair at any time.

All dancers should be bringing: hair ties that match their hair color, bobby pins that match their hair color, donut buns (if a bun is required) that match their hair color, a brush/comb, hairspray, hair accessories that came with their costumes.

REQUIRED HAIRSTYLES FOR RECITAL:

Preschool Classes: High bun with no bangs (Preschool Ballet and Preschool Tap classes), Center part, 2 low pigtails, no bangs (Preschool Hip Hop class).

Level 1-4 and Comp Classes: Center part, mid bun, no bangs (all Ballet/Pointe classes) Center part, 2 low pigtails, no bangs (Tap 1 only), or Center part, mid ponytail, no bangs (all other classes).

If you are unsure of what style your dancer's hair should be in, follow this link where everything is posted on our website: <https://kelleysdancecraze.com/kdc-costume-info-2025-26>

There is a YouTube video link on this website page as well with step by step instructions and/or pictures of how to do everything! 😊

REQUIRED MAKEUP FOR DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL

All dancers (regardless of age) are required to wear stage makeup for Dress Rehearsal and Recital so they are not washed out by the lights. Listed below are the types/brands to purchase beforehand. You can find the following on Amazon, Ulta, or at any local drug store:

Foundation- Any brand/color to match dancer's skin tone

*Not required for Preschoolers, required for all other dancers

Loose Powder- Any brand/color to match dancer's skin tone

*Not required for Preschoolers, required for all other dancers

Blush- Milani Baked Blush in "Berry Amore"

*Required for everyone

Eyeshadow- Milani Gilded Mini Eyeshadow Palette in "Whiskey Business"

*Required for everyone

Lipstick- NYX Professional Make Up Shine Loud Vegan High Shine Long Lasting Liquid Lipstick "Rebel in Red"

*Required for everyone (*please do not use a different brand as they don't match)

Mascara- Black, any brand

*Required for everyone

Eyeliners- Black, any brand

*Not required for Preschoolers, required for all other dancers

False Eyelashes- Ardell Wispies

*Comp only, Not required for other dancers

Boys- Light Blush, Tinted Chapstick

*Required for everyone

All of this makeup is posted on our website: <https://kelleysdancecraze.com/kdc-costume-info-2025-26> There is also a YouTube video link on this website page as well with step by step instructions of how to apply everything! 😊

DRESS REHEARSAL

- Please be there by your designated arrival time. The schedule is included in this packet.
- Hair and makeup should be done exactly how it will be done for recital. The hair and makeup sheet link is included in this packet.
- Come to the Dress Rehearsal with your first costume already on (please wear a cover up to keep it protected) and have your hair and makeup already done. If you have more than one costume, there will be the designated changing area for girls. Boys may change in the bathroom.
- Upon arrival, please report directly to the auditorium. Stay seated, and enjoy watching dances until your class is called to line up. *Parents may not come onstage or go backstage with their child- please walk them to the designated small staircase that leads to the stage once they are called up.
- Feel free to take photos and videos during the Dress Rehearsal. Please take advantage of this time, as there is absolutely NO VIDEO TAPING OR FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OF ANY KIND PERMITTED AT THE RECITAL.
- Once your dancer is done with their performance on stage, they will be brought back into the auditorium by a teacher/assistant. They may leave once they are done, remain seated to watch more dances, or change into their next costume.
- Your 2025-26 account balance must be \$0 to participate in the Rehearsal and Recital (*Please note this does not include Summer Camp or Summer Program fees which are not due yet). Your last payment installment for this dance season should be made by June 1st.

- The Dress Rehearsal is MANDATORY. If you are not at the Dress Rehearsal, you will not be able to participate at the Recital. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!

***Please note this year that our Dress Rehearsal schedule will be in the same order as the Recital.

DANCE RECITAL

- 1. Dancers need to arrive before show time in full hair, makeup, and dressed in your first dance costume (please wear a cover up over it).** Comp dancers will need to arrive by 11:45 to set up/warm up. Recital dancers will need to arrive by no later than 12:15.
- 2. When you arrive at the show, please find the check in table, and check in your dancer.** At that time, dancers will be taken into their dressing room by one of our teachers/assistant teachers/comp parent volunteers. **Recital parents are not allowed in the dressing rooms.**
- 3. Please be sure to have your ticket(s) printed off or pulled up on your phone ahead of time, so your usher may help you find your seat.** (*Many times, the cell phone signal is not good in these venues. You can also screenshot your tickets.)
- 4. Once your dancer is settled in their dressing room, please head straight to the auditorium.** We will be starting the show promptly at 1:00 pm.
- 5. Turn your phone to silent/vibrate, sit back, and enjoy the show 😊**
- 6. Once the show has begun, please refrain from getting up in the middle of dances.** If you must leave the auditorium for any reason during the show, please do so IN BETWEEN performances. You don't want to be the person blocking someone else from seeing their child dance.
- 7. Feel free to applaud/cheer when you see something you like, and when a performance is finished.**
- 8. Absolutely NO flash photography or videos during the show.** Families breaking this rule will be asked to leave the auditorium, and will not be allowed back in. We have a professional videographer that will be recording the show for you to purchase (see attached order form).
- 9. Dancers will remain backstage/in their dressing room area for the entire show. NO EXCEPTIONS!** They will all be brought back on stage after the Finale.

FOR OUR DANCERS' SAFETY

Once the show begins, **NO recital parents** are permitted into the backstage/dressing rooms until the end of the show (this includes during the intermission). We are responsible for keeping your children safe. Our Volunteers do not know you and cannot release a dancer. Please respect our policy to ensure we keep everyone's children accounted for. At the end of the show, please send one Mom or female family member over to the Check In/Out table to pick up your dancer. **No men are permitted in the girl's dressing rooms at any time. PLEASE PUT A CARD IN YOUR DANCER'S BAG WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND A PARENT CELL PHONE NUMBER IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.**

WHAT TO BRING TO THE RECITAL

- 1. Please pack fun, non-messy activities for young dancers as they are waiting in their dressing rooms between performances.** Coloring books (crayons only) and board games (with minimal pieces) are great options. It is highly recommended that electronics or any other expensive items be left at home so they are not lost or damaged. **KDC is not responsible for lost/damaged items.** We will also be providing fun table activities while they are there to keep them occupied.
- 2. Dancers should bring a water bottle (labeled with their name).** Water is the only thing allowed in the dressing rooms. *Please note that food is not allowed.
- 3. Remember your DVD/BluRay/Digital order form and payments (cash or check only)-** this is the last day they will accept orders.

UNDERGARMENTS, JEWELRY, ETC.

- 1. Dancers may not wear underwear under their costumes-** this is a rule that goes back decades in the dance world. Your tights are your underwear. Nothing is worse than seeing underwear hanging out of a dancer's costume on stage. And the lights make everything (especially panty lines) more visible. This is no different than if your child were wearing a bathing suit. The only exception to this is older dancers who are permitted to wear a nude, seamless thong under their costumes, if deemed necessary.
- 2. Dance bras-** If your dancer requires a bra on stage, the only kind that are acceptable are a nude dance bra with **clear straps and a clear back strap**. If your dancer is in that "tween age" and you're not sure if they need one, it's better to be safe than sorry. Lights show us things sometimes that we don't want everyone else to see. You can find these at any local dance store, Amazon, and any dancewear online site. If you need help finding one, please reach out to me, and I'll send you a link!
- 3. Jewelry-** Dancers MAY NOT wear jewelry on stage. This includes earrings, rings, bracelets, and necklaces. *The only exception to this is our competition dancers, and then it is competition earrings only.
- 4. Nail Polish-** Nail polish cannot be worn for Dress Rehearsal/Recital. Please be sure it is removed from all of your fingernails. *French manicures and nude nail polish is acceptable.
- 5. Tattoos-** In the case of fake tattoos, please have them removed before our shows. *Baby oil works great.
- 6. Band-aids/Wraps-** If your dancer must wear a band-aid/bandage or ankle/knee wrap, please try to make it a nude/clear one.

RECITAL HELPERS

The recital is what our dancers have prepared for, all year long. Their hard work and dedication all comes down to this beautiful showcase of their talents! Without the outstanding helpers that volunteer their time, this event would not be possible.

Thank you in advance to our KDC Competition Team parents who are donating their time to make this event special and successful for all of you! 😊

If you have any other questions regarding Dress Rehearsal/Recital, please don't hesitate to email me!

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