

BACKSTAGE PASS POLICY

To ensure the safety of all dancers performing in the show, we enforce a closed door policy for the backstage area where students are housed during the show. No one will be allowed to access the backstage areas without a pass. By having this policy in place, we hope to provide a safe environment for all dancers during the show.

There will be one set of doors that all dancers will enter and exit through. Each family has been issued a backstage pass which must be shown to enter the backstage area. The pass states your family name. **We are asking that only one parent/guardian accompany the child(ren) backstage.** Other family and friends who may be with you will be asked to wait in the commons area. Parents will be allowed backstage at intermission, to change costumes, or to pick up your child for early departure. Again, only one parent/guardian will be allowed to go backstage. Each time you enter the backstage area you will be expected to show your pass to the person at the doors before you will be allowed to enter.

Older dancers, ages 16 and over, may enter backstage without a parent, but must present a Pass at the door. No dancer will be allowed to leave the backstage area during the show without parent pick up.

At the conclusion of the show, all students will be escorted to the backstage area they are assigned to and parents must pick up their child(ren) there. Parents will enter through the same set of doors as before the show, **but will exit at the other side** of the auditorium. Arrows will be posted to show you the way. No child will be allowed to leave the backstage area without a parent/guardian who presents a backstage pass at the door.

Failure to bring you backstage pass with you to the show will cause you to be delayed! Volunteers will make you wait until you can be verified as a dance parent. Please put your backstage pass in a safe place!

We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this policy. Please understand that this policy is being put in effect strictly for the safety of your children and to decrease the amount of congestion that sometimes happens during intermission and after the show. If you have any questions at all about this policy please don't hesitate to ask.