DRESS REHEARSAL DETAILS

Our dress rehearsal for all competitive classes will be held on <u>Sunday, February 14th from 10:00 AM to 6 PM right at our dance studio.</u> Regular classes <u>WILL NOT</u> be held at the studio this day.

Dress rehearsal is mandatory. Please plan accordingly to be there for your scheduled times.

Attached is the file containing the detailed rehearsal schedule. I have arranged the schedule to minimize the number of dancers in the studio at any given time throughout the day. Dancers should plan on arriving 5-10 minutes before their first performance as we have a tight schedule for the day and will not wait for dancers who are late.

Our actual performances will be held in our main studio. We will have the hallway and tap studios set up as a dressing room/waiting area for dancers to spend time between performances. We will direct dancers to the correct area as they arrive for rehearsal. As we'll be following our normal protocol, we will clean and sanitize all areas throughout the day and everyone will wear masks (even during performances) while in the building.

This is a *FULL COSTUME* dress rehearsal. This is our only opportunity to run through routines before we are competing in front of judges so we want full costumes, including headpieces and accessories, to make sure we don't have any issues to address before our first competition.

Dancers will NOT have to wear makeup (since we are wearing masks in the studio) and they can wear used tights for the rehearsal so they don't ruin a brand new pair during this rehearsal.

COSTUMES

Please make sure any alterations to costumes are done BEFORE our dress rehearsal. Costumes should also be wrinkle free. You can either hang the costumes in your bathroom and oftentimes the steam from the shower can release wrinkles, or use a steamer. We do have a steamer down at the studio if you would like to use it on your costumes. Costumes should be wrinkle free for dress rehearsal and all performances.

HEADPIECES

All headpieces should be worn for the dress rehearsal. This is a great way to make sure we have them properly secured so they don't fall out of the dancers hair during performances. Please be sure to use extra bobby pins to secure headpieces where needed.

JEWELRY

Dancers should wear their earrings and chokers (if their routines require them) for our rehearsal performances.

TIGHTS

As a reminder, dancers do **NOT** need to wear a new pair of tights for rehearsal. Used tights will be fine just so they don't ruin a brand new pair during the rehearsal. If you have not yet purchased tights for our actual competition performances, please be sure to stop at the front desk to do so.

SHOES

Dancers must wear the correct shoes for all performances, including our rehearsal. As a reminder, if you need to order a new pair of shoes, please stop down at the front desk over the next few weeks to get sized and place your order!

HAIR

Ideally dancers would practice all hairstyle changes at the dress rehearsal, but I also realize due to the schedule, there are tight changes. If dancers are able to make the switch, I recommend doing so. Competitions often have quick changes so this is good practice for the girls. If the time between performances at dress rehearsal does not allow enough time for the hair change, the dancer can leave their hair in the hairstyle from the previous routine but should change out the headpiece if possible.

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MAKEUP

Dancers do **NOT** need to wear makeup for our rehearsal since they'll be wearing masks. It's still important that you purchase your makeup online through Yofi if you do not have the lip, eye and cheek color as that is mandatory for our competition performances.

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VIEWING OF THE REHEARSAL

This year, since we are holding the dress rehearsal at the studio as we can no longer use the KHS auditorium, we are not allowing parents in the watch performances. There would simply be too many people in our facility at one time and it would increase the number of people we are coming into contact with throughout the day. With our first competition the very next weekend, we need to be cautious so we keep our dancers and staff safe and healthy!

With that being said, **WE WILL BE LIVESTREAMING THE REHEARSAL** this year! The live stream will take place on our private Facebook page. If you have friends and family who would like to watch, they can request to join the group and I will add them the day before the rehearsal!

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I realize this is not a perfect solution, but given the current situation, I believe this is the safest way to allow those who would like to watch the performances the ability to do so. I appreciate everyone's understanding regarding this matter.

MISC

- 1. Dancers are allowed to stay at the studio during the time between performances. Once dancers are done with all their performances, we ask that they leave the studio and watch the other routines on the livestream. This will help limit the number of dancers in the studio during the day.
- 2. We are not allowing parents in the studio to watch performances or to assist with costume changes in the dressing room areas. All of our staff will be available to help throughout the day for any dancers who need help with costume changes, hairstyle changes, etc. We are happy to help! Again, with this rehearsal being the week before our first competition, we are being very cautious about the number of people in the studio. We want everyone healthy so we are able to perform on stage for the first time in a year:) Family and friends are encouraged to watch the livestream on our private Facebook page.