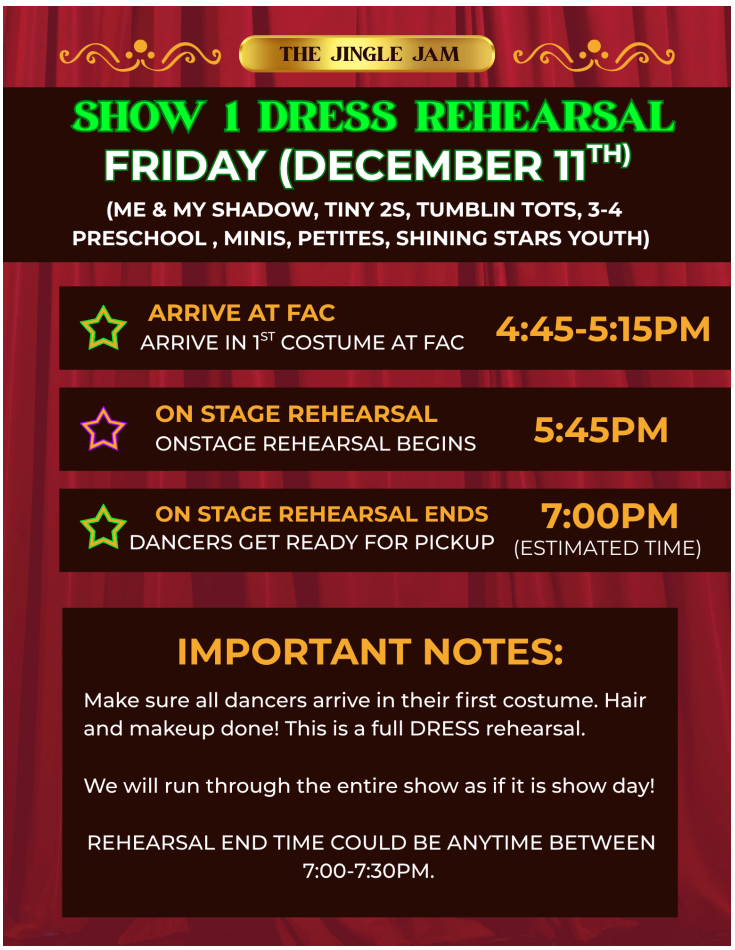
"THE JINGLE JAM"
2026 HOLIDAY RECITAL
HANDBOOK

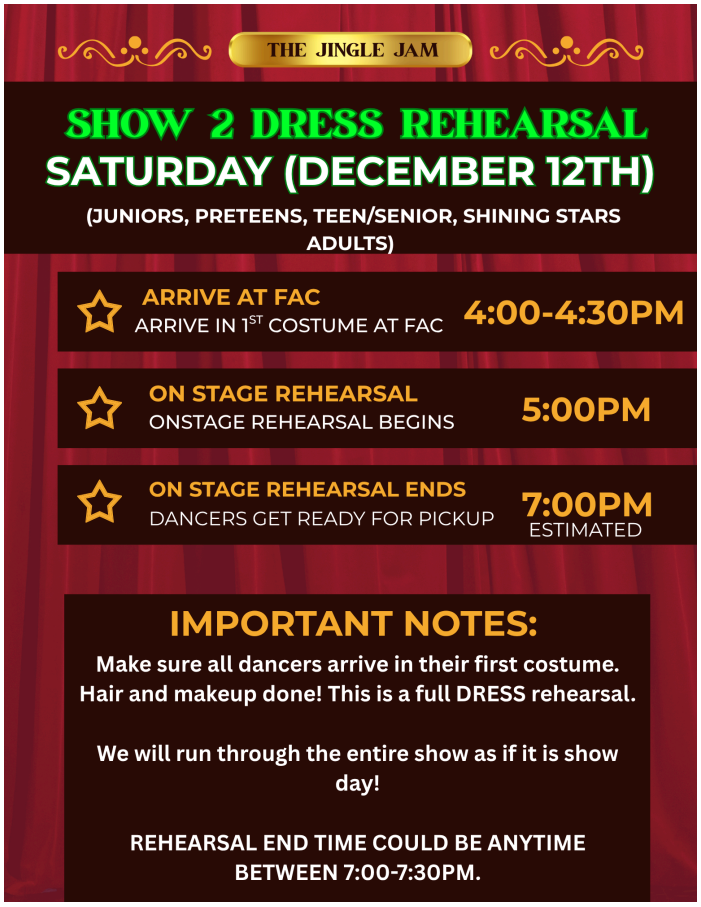
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Welcome to **"THE JINGLE JAM"** Spring Recital! We are excited to showcase our talented dancers, and we appreciate your involvement as a parent/guardian. This handbook will guide you through the necessary information to ensure an enjoyable experience for both you and your dancer.





SHOW 2 DRESS REHEARSAL AND SHOW DAY INFORMATION:





RECITAL DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES

To ensure a smooth and organized experience for everyone, we kindly ask all parents to follow our drop-off and pick-up procedures.

Drop-Off:

Upon your arrival at the venue, please **check in** at the front desk. You will need to provide your child's name, as well as your own. After confirming your identities, you will receive a **color-coded card** that corresponds to the designated dressing room for your child.

We have an amazing group of moms volunteering in each dressing room to ensure that the children are safe and comfortable as they prepare for their performance. However, if you would prefer to stay with your child in the dressing room, you are more than welcome to do so! Once your child is settled, you can take a moment to enjoy the excitement of the recital and find your seat. **No Child can leave the venue until they have been properly DISMISSED by the show director. This is a SHOW and it requires everyone's participation t ng!**



Pick-Up:

At the conclusion of the recital, the safety of our dancers is our top priority. To pick up your child, please return to the dressing room they were in and **present your color-coded card to the room manager**. This card serves as your authorization for them to release your child to you. The room manager will verify the card and ensure a safe and orderly handoff. **EXAMPLE OF CARD:**

Child's Name
Parent's Name
Room Number

WHAT TO BRING

DANCE COSTUMES!!

- Please bring all the dance costumes that are required for the Holiday recital! Make sure every item is wrinkle-free and is in a secured garment bag with your child's name written on it.

PLEASE ARRIVE TO THE VENUE IN YOUR FIRST DANCE'S COSTUME!!!

If you are unsure of your first costume please look at the show line up in the handbook email that will be sent out and find your child's first dance.

TIGHTS!!!

- **Me & My Shadow, Tiny 2's, Tumblin' Tots, 3-4 Preschool, Minis, Petites** must have their own transitional tan tights. They are required to wear **TAN** tights for all of their dances.

- **Juniors and Preteen** must have transitional **pink tights** for ballet. They **must also have transitional tan tights for all of the styles EXCLUDING HIP HOP.**

- **Teens and Seniors** - **only** wear tan tights for ballet and musical theatre

- **Shining Stars Youth and Adult -** transitional tan tights

- **Spare TIghts**: Consider packing an extra pair or two in case of any mishaps

PROPER DANCE SHOES!!

Me & My Shadow -barefoot (**PARENTS** - SOLID black socks)

ALL Ballet and Tap Classes- pink ballet shoes (girls), black ballet shoes (boys) & black tap shoes

Mini/Petite Musical Theatre - tan jazz shoes

Junior/Preteen Musical Theatre - tan jazz shoes (boys: tan jazz shoes)

Teen/Senior Musical Theatre - tan character heels

ALL Hip Hop Classes- **ALL** black sneakers (any brand..**SOLID BLACK!**)

ALL Tumbling Classes - barefoot

ALL Contemporary/Lyrical Classes- tan pirouettes

Mini/Petite and Junior/Preteen Jazz - tan jazz shoes (boys: black jazz shoes)

Teen/Senior Jazz - tan pirouettes

Shining Stars Youth: pink ballet shoes or barefoot

Shining Stars Adults: tan jazz shoes (boys: black jazz shoes or black sneakers)

- **Spare Shoes**: Consider packing an extra pair in case of any mishaps.

ACCESSORIES & UNDERGARMENTS!!

Accessories: Certain costumes may come with extra accessories that we expect the dancer to wear on stage. These accessories will be sent home with all costumes. Please do not lose any of your accessories! Keep them with the costumes IN A GARMENT BAG!!! Please do not wear any accessories that did NOT come with your costume.

Undergarments: Dancers can opt for wearing a nude leotard under their costumes for easy changing purposes. **This is optional!** Please make sure all undergarments are **nude in color!**! If wearing a bra, keep it flesh toned and either strapless or with clear elastic straps.

HAIR!!



***Me & My Shadow, Tiny 2's Combo, 3-4 Preschool Combo, Tumblin' Tots - If you cannot get your dancer's hair into a bun due to the length, that is okay! However you can style it that is neat and out of the way works for us! :)**

***Our Shining Stars (Special Needs) classes have the option to wear their hair as they please! We just ask that it is presentable and out of the face!!!**

MAKEUP!!

Dancers will wear stage makeup for our recital to enhance features under bright lights, create a professional look, and boost confidence. It also complements costumes. **PLEASE ARRIVE HAIR AND MAKEUP READY!!**

Makeup List:

-Foundation/Concealer/Tinted Moisturizer

-Blush/Bronzer

- Eyeshadow (Neutral brown tones **(sparkles are optional!)**

-Eyeliner/Mascara

-False lashes **(Optional)**

-Red lipstick **(NOT LIP GLOSS! Keep it a matte red so it's not sticky)**

- **Makeup Remover Wipes**: For quick removal if needed

Stage Makeup Tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lxI0On8ayAM

WATER/SNACKS/ENTERTAINMENT!!

- **Water Bottle**:

To keep the dressing room clean, **only clear water is allowed**. Please do not bring colored beverages, such as Gatorade or juices, as they may stain costumes. Thank you for your cooperation!

- **Light Snacks:**

Pack protein-rich, low-mess snacks like:

- Cheese and Crackers
- String cheese
-Fruit

Please do not pack snacks such as Doritos or Cheetos that will stain costumes.

Please do not pack any snacks containing nuts as we have children who have nut allergies!

-Entertainment**-**

It will be a long day for your child to patiently sit and wait for their performance. To avoid boredom or nerves, please feel free to send them with items that comfort them!

Examples:

-Tablets/iPad

-Books

-Sensory & Fidget toys

-Games

Please do NOT pack any markers or crayons. They are not to be used in the FAC.

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

- **Camera/Smartphone:** Feel free to take as many photos and videos on your phone as you please, but please do not use your flash!!!

- **Comfortable Seating**: The venue could potentially be cold, so wear something warm in the auditorium while you are watching your fabulous children dance!

-Emergency Kit**-:** Packing a small emergency kit with your child's items can address any unexpected situations. Items such as a sewing kit, bandaids, pain relief, extra hair ties, bobby pins, hair nets, hairspray, makeup etc.

Important Reminders!!

- **Plan Ahead:** The night before the recital, double-check the list and ensure all items are packed.

- **Stay Calm:** It's natural for both parents and dancers to feel nervous. Remind your dancer to breathe, enjoy the moment, and perform with confidence! They have worked so hard for this day so encourage them and watch them shine!!

-Free Seating**:** Please invite family and friends to come see the show! It is free to watch :)

-** **Encourage your family/friends to scan the QR code outside of the auditorium's door**. This QR code will take them to the event program where they will be able to follow along with the show! All student shoutouts purchased by the student's family will be placed in this QR program.

- Pre-ordered flower bouquets will be available for pick up from the front lobby the day of the recital!!

Final Thoughts & Important Contacts

Thank you for being part of our dance family! Your support makes a world of difference.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out:

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- **Email:** georgiadancelab@gmail.com

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(YOU CAN TEXT OR CALL US!!)