



Recital Information & FAQ's ATTACHED FORM DUE: 2/17

We are excited to offer our students the chance to showcase what they've learned this session at our semi-annual Recital! Students will perform on a real stage, with lights, costumes, and you—our audience! The recital is optional, but because performance is an important (and *fun*) part of your child's dance education, we strongly encourage all students to participate. This packet covers frequently asked questions about the recital to help you decide whether or not your student will participate. **All students must return the attached form by 2/17 to inform us of your choice.** More detailed information will be distributed with costumes in April.

1. When and where is the recital?

Dress Rehearsal: Friday, May 11th
PreBallet: 5:30-6:15pm
Classes K-2nd & older: 6-9pm
Recital: Saturday, May 12th.
Students arrive 12:30p
Doors open at 1:00p
Show runs approx. 1:30-3:30p

Recital and Dress Rehearsal are at:
Novi High School Auditorium
24062 Taft Road
Novi, MI 48375

Performers **MUST** attend Dress Rehearsal **AND** the Recital. A lineup of the routines will be included with your costume in April. We will begin dress rehearsal by practicing the final bows (involving ALL students), then run each dance in order. It is imperative that students arrive on time so they do not miss their rehearsal. Parents can choose to sit in the auditorium for the rehearsal, or can simply drop off their students. Due to the number of people involved, parents are asked **NOT** to go backstage. Staff members will be present in every backstage area to supervise students and assist with bathroom trips, hair/makeup touch-ups, etc. You may send your student backstage with non-messy snacks and activities (crayons/coloring books, games, books, etc.) but they must bring it backstage themselves.

Backstage: Students with multiple dances will be in dressing rooms to the side of the stage. Students who do not require costume changes should come fully dressed for their routine (costume, hair and makeup), and will be supervised in a general area. This area includes any boys performing in the recital. Students are encouraged to bring snacks/activities along, and our staff will also facilitate a "show and tell" of each routine. Students get to perform their dance for the group and watch the other dances as well. It's a great chance to practice and bond with their classmates!

2. What do the dancers wear? Do I need to buy any extra attire?

Dancers will wear a uniform costume look. We strive to select costume items that are affordably priced and can be worn in the future for class or other fitness activities. Please see the attached Costume Order Form for specific costume pricing and additional items needed for each class. Most costume pricing includes a full top and bottom, but some classes will purchase only a top and must provide the specified bottoms on their own (black jazz pants, for example). **Items in the "Also needs" column are NOT included in the costume price and must be provided by the student.** Many "Also needs" items (including shoes, tights, and jazz pants) can be purchased in our Spirit Shoppe. If you need to purchase any of these items, please be sure to purchase or order early enough that you'll have it in time for the recital.

To participate in the recital, Costume Order Forms must be turned in (complete with all measurements and payment) no later than February 17th. ****A late fee is added to costumes ordered after the deadline to cover individual shipping/handling, and will only be ordered once the costume company has confirmed that we will receive it in time for the recital.****

3. How do I get tickets?

Two recital tickets are included in your Recital Fee (paid with your costume order). You will be able to add tickets to your order at a later date at a cost of \$8 per ticket. More info regarding ticket sales will be distributed at the end of February.

4. What is the recital fee?

There is a \$45 per family recital fee (if you have more than one child participating, you will only pay one \$45 recital fee). This fee covers things such as the rental of the auditorium, professional sound and light technicians for the recital, insurance for the event, printing of tickets and programs, processing, ordering, and distributing costumes, etc. The Recital Fee also includes TWO tickets (per family) to the recital. See #3 for more info.

Also included in your Recital Fee is a DVD of the full Recital, produced by Pask Video Productions! You will receive an e-mail notice (also posted on Facebook, Twitter and our website) once DVDs are in the studio and ready for pick up. It usually takes less than 2 weeks for them to be delivered here. **We will continue stocking DVDs until July 1st. After July 1st Recital DVDs will no longer be available, so please claim yours as soon as possible!**

ALL STUDENTS

MUST TURN IN THE ATTACHED COSTUME ORDER FORM
NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 17TH**

- × **If you DO NOT wish to perform:** check the upper left box labeled "NOT participating"
- ✓ **If you DO,** mark your classes on the front and complete all measurements on the back.

Thank you! We are looking forward to the remainder of the session with your child!

OTHER REMINDERS

Important Dates:

- Parent Week: 3/26-4/1
(join us for the last 10 minutes of class)
- Spring Break (NO YOUTH CLASSES): 4/2-4/8
- Picture Day: 4/21 (not mandatory)

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