

“Christmas This Year” Show Notes

Our annual Christmas/Winter program will be here before we know it. I am very excited! In order to make the event run smoothly, here are a few guidelines:

- Be at the theater (Tallmadge High School Auditorium) by 1:45, Saturday, December 10, ready to dance. We will do the finale first, then run through the show from opening to the last ballet piece. **This is a mandatory rehearsal!**
- Students will be permitted to sit in the auditorium to watch the show, but **it is the responsibility of the student and parent to be sure the student is backstage and lined up 5 numbers before their dance** for rehearsal. If the student is not in place and they miss their number, they will be considered absent, and unable to perform.
- This is not a dress rehearsal, unless you have quick changes. A quick change is 3 numbers or less to change costumes in. If you have quick changes, use this as dress rehearsal so the backstage helpers know that you need changed quickly, and so that we know you will be ready for your next dance in time.
- After you have rehearsed your last number in the show, you may leave. Go eat, relax, put on your make up and do your hair.
- Return to the theater by no later than 6:30 with your hair and make-up done. That way all you have to do is change into your first costume.
- The auditorium doors will be opened by 6:30.
- **Hair:** ladies may wear their hair any way they choose, as long as it is out of the face, and “dressy”. You may not wear different bows, scrunchies, or other hair accessories (including beads), unless it has been designated as part of the costume by Denise.
- **Costumes:** Always carry your costumes to the theater. In this show we utilize a lot of “street clothes” for costumes, but they need to be treated as costumes...change when you get to the theater. Please dress your child in their first costume. Place each additional costume in it’s own brown paper bag with all of the accessories, shoes, a few extra hair pins, etc. Put the child’s name, the name of the song that costume is for, and what kind of a dance it is on the outside of the bag. If you have quick changes, be sure to turn those costumes in to the backstage crew.
- **Studio Costumes:** ALL costumes borrowed from the studio must be placed in the costume tote backstage the night of the show, after use. Any costumes not returned that night will be billed to the borrower.
- **Jewelry:** Absolutely none! Earrings, necklaces, bracelets, etc. do not belong on the stage! If the students are wearing jewelry, they will be asked to remove it before they go out on stage, unless it is part of the costume.
- **Backstage:** Bring quiet, calm activities (books, coloring books-no markers, please, etc) for the children backstage. Also, they may have water to drink. The show is less than 2 hours long, so they should be ok regarding snacks until the show is over.
- DVD’s will be available again this show. ARS will again be recording for us. You can pre-order your copy at the studio, or order yours the day of the show. Fill out your form, and turn it in with your payment of \$25.00. **There will be NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY OR VIDEO RECORDING OF THE EVENING’S PERFORMANCE!**
- **Students:** Do your best in your performance, and have fun! There might be someone special there to watch you!

I have tried to remember everything, but...If you have any questions, please feel free to call the studio at (330) 633-1071 or email me at bryantdance@neo.rr.com

Thanks, *Denise*