Barbie Plus 2024

DANCE PLUS

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This Is What We're Made For!

Yay, the big day approaching and it can seem that there is a lot to consider and remember. That's because there is!!! There is no need to feel overwhelmed though. To that end this packet will assist in guiding and preparing you for what to expect. We are so proud of every dancer! You've all worked so hard and we want to make sure that the shows are as much fun as possible. Our goal here is to provide an easyto-understand guideline to help you with any questions, but do not hesitate to contact us if you still need additional info.

You can ask any of our instructors, Julie at the front desk, myself or you can reach out to any of the parents who had children dancing with us last year. They can often answer questions from a more relatable perspective.

It's going to be great day and being prepared will be make it even more enjoyable.

Smiles & Squsihes,

Joede Persson

In this newsletter you will find info and tips for:

Buying tickets for the show

Directions to Rumson-Fair Haven High School

Picture Day

Dress Rehearsal

Video Policy

Show Day Logistics



How do I get tickets for the show?

When do tickets go on sale? Where do I buy tickets? How do I buy tickets? Tickets will go on sale at the studio on **Saturday, 11 May 2024**. Doors will open at **9:00am** sharp. Please be ready to pay via cash, check, Venmo or Zelle or credit card (3.5% service fee). Tickets will be available at the theater, but only by cash, check Venmo or Zelle. There are a few things to remember



when buying tickets:

- Refer to the seating chart to understand where your dancer is performing on stage
- Select your seats first in Studio C
 - If you're paying via credit card, go to Studio A to pay then return to Studio C with your receipt to pick up you tickets
- Keep your tickets somewhere safe



We our very excited that this year's production will be performed on the stage of Rumson-Fair Haven High School's Theater. If you need directions to the RFHHS just tap on the link. Tap on the seating chart link to view the layout of the theater seating (feel free to ask your teacher about "Stage Left & Stage Right")

<u>DIRECTIONS TO</u> RFH HIGH SCHOOL

SEATING CHART



Picture Day

Picture Day is one of my favorite days of the year and it's just around the corner! It can be daunting to firsttimers so here are a few tips to make the day go smoothly:

- Refer to the Accessory Sheet
- Double check with teacher if you need any clarification
- Be on time (or a little early) so as not to feel rushed when you arrive
- Trust that the photographer will capture the best photos for you

PICTURE DAY SCHEDULE



30 May 2024

Fi Rehearsal Studio C

Please touch base with the teachers about whether or not your child(ren) will be required to actually wear their costumes for this rehearsal. The dress rehearsal really more of a final chance for the teachers to review dances and the last chance dancers will have to clarify any questions. The dances will be run at Dance Plus in Studio C.

These run-throughs will not be full-on classes, but a quick review and memory-jogger for the dancers. Although there is a specific schedule you should anticipate the possibility of having to wait some additional time.

Remember to provide children with water, snacks, homework and anything else they may need if they will be waiting for additional dances.

CLICK HERE FOR THE SCHEDULE





We understand the need to capture the precious moments of your dancers on stage, so please take note of "Video Row". Video Row will be the first row of seats along the front of the stage. These seats are reserved for parents (one person per family) who will be taking video/photos of their children while they are performing. While you are there please refrain from calling out to your dancer. They will be concentrating as best they can, but are not above being distracted. Don't be the distraction.



Here are few other things to remember:

- No flash! The stage will be very well lit.
- Plan when to move to Video Row so you do not obstruct others who are possible trying to watch their children.
- When your dancer is done performing VACATE THE ROW IMMEDIATELY. These seats are reserved solely for the parents (or whomever will be taking pictures) with children performing in the current dance.
- If you get really good shots be sure to share them with us so we can post them with pride!



- We are all here to celebrate your children's progress and performance. Let 's remember that each of us are here for a special day, not just our own
- Be encouraging and kind to all the children performing whether they just leave the stage or are waiting anxiously to perform
- Some families are new to this type of event or may be guests. Please be patient, or even helpful if someone seems in need
- All the dancers have worked diligently all year so applaud with extreme vigor for every dancel
- When sitting in the audience remember the Golden Rule:
 "Do on to others as you would have them do on to you"

SHOW DAY LOGISTICS



Trust The Process

We run our productions with a tried and true process. It will run smoothly and expeditiously as long as everyone adheres to the system we have in place. This leaves you with confidence in your children's safety and the ability to just enjoy the show!

The following instructions will inform you of the days procedures. Just remember to pick up your lanyard (it's like a backstage pass) at Dress Rehearsal.



The Process:

- Remember your lanyard
- Five (5) dances before your child's dance bring them to the lobby and the staging area near Miss Julie
- Show her your lanyard
- Return to your seat to enjoy you the show
- After you've watched your child's performance go to the same area in the lobby where you were previously (Remember your lanyard)
- Pick your child up here and ONLY HERE. They will not be released anywhere else and not to anyone without the appropriate lanyard.





Flowers & T-Shirts

Flowers are a great way to celebrate your dancer's performance and accomplishments through the year. The commemorative t-shirt is a great way to remember that they shined in this year's show. Order forms will be available at the front desk. Place your order while at the studio or feel free to call us at 732.741.4414 or email us at the email address listed below:

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Dance Plus | Barbie 2024 | T-Shirt

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The program for the show will once again be available in virtual form. Once you scan the QRC you will access to the program on your smart phone. Here you will be able to follow the show's order and be informed as to when you should migrate back to the lobby to drop off your dancer. Ads for photos, shout-outs, businesses, etc. can be submitted to the email address below. Please be sure to submit all images in .jpg, .png., bmp, svg, ai formats. Order forms are available at the front desk.

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A Few Notes To Remember

- Please refrain from walking to or from your seats during dances. It is distracting to the dancers and discourteous to other audience members who may be trying to watch their children on stage
- Keep the talking to a minimum during dances
- Have a plan on when to move to the "Video Row" and refrain from taking video/photos from your seats ONLY ONE PERSON PER FAMILY PERMITTED IN VIDEO ROW AT A TIME
- All the dancers have worked diligently all year so applaud with extreme vigor for every dance!



Memories in the making. I can't wait for the big day! The culmination of a year full of learning, laughter and the love of Dance!

Our wishes and intentions are like our life's choreography. They manifest what is to become and must be treasured. The greatest gift can be perseverance and patience as they find calm in the chaos and take the cacophony of life that sometimes threatens to rise to an unbearable pitch and soften it to the music that soothes our soul. It is the realization that sometimes the curtain to our creativity lives in improvisation. We may not know all of the steps, sometimes we lead, sometimes we follow. We must trust the music of our dance and trust the constant of our heartbeat and breathe as we dance the choreography of each day.

I hope that this newsletter aptly prepares you for the upcoming weeks at Dance Plus, but if it hasn't, please feel free to reach out to my staff or myself with any additional questions.

It is a much busier time of the year for us so if we do not seem as if we have the time while you are at the studio please call or email us. We will get back to you as quickly as possible.

Thank you for sharing your little miracles with us!

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