

DANCEXPRESS DANCE STUDIO
“NAMES- I’M GONNA DANCE FOREVER”
2009 DRESS REHEARSAL AND RECITAL INFORMATION

The following suggestions and information will help your child enjoy his/her performance.

HEADPIECES: Secure with plenty of bobby pins. Ask your child to bow or move their head to make sure the headpiece is on properly.

NO JEWELRY.

BALLET CLASSES should have their hair in a bun if hair is shoulder length or longer.

ALL OTHER CLASSES need to keep their hair pulled back away from their faces.

MAKE UP is required at Dress Rehearsal and at the Recital. Stage lighting will wash out a dancer’s natural coloring. Eye shadow, blush, and bright lipstick will revive them. Avoid shades of peach and purple on cheeks and lips.

LABEL* every dance shoe and costume with your child’s name.

SHOES * Tie Ballet slippers and tuck in the strings. Double knot Jazz and Tap shoes.

PLEASE wear a cover up over the costume when going into the audience after performing. Costumes should not be worn in the audience without a cover up.

WHILE DANCES ARE BEING PERFORMED, please remain seated. Younger children in the dressing rooms can be picked up in the dressing rooms right after their performance. Please don’t leave the audience when a dance is in progress.

DRESS REHEARSAL

PLACE: CENTENNIAL HALL AT THE HAVERFORD SCHOOL
450 Lancaster Avenue, Haverford, PA

Directions from Dancexpress – Follow Iona Ave. to Montgomery Ave. and make a left. Follow Montgomery Ave. past Suburban Square and make a left at Woodside Rd. Make a right onto Lancaster Ave. The Haverford School is about 1 mile up on the left.

DATE: Thursday, May 7th or Monday, May 11th or Friday, May 15th

TIME: **Students only need to be present during their own rehearsal time.** These times are listed on the next page:

DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 7th, 2009

- 4:00 Wednesday 12:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 4:15 Thursday 12:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 4:30 Wednesday 1:45 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 5:00 Thursday 1:45 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 5:30 Thursday 2:00 Kindergarten "Rockin' Robin"
- 5:40 Wednesday 4:15 Tap "Take Me Out to the Ballgame"
- 5:50 Wednesday 6:15 Tap "Roxie"
- 6:00 Wednesday 4:30 Jazz "Roll Over Beethoven"
- 6:10 Thursday 4:15 Jazz "Roll Over Beethoven"
- 6:20 Thursday 5:15 Jazz "Hey Mickey"
- 6:30 Wednesday 5:45 Jazz "PYT"
- 6:40 Thursday 4:30 Jazz "PYT"
- 6:50 Wednesday 7:15 Tap "That's Not My Name"
- 7:00 Thursday 6:45 Tap "Summertime Blues"
- 7:10 Wednesday 6:45 Jazz "Proud Mary"
- 7:20 Thursday 6:15 Jazz "Maria"
- 7:30 Wednesday 5:45 Jazz "Dance & Shout"
- 7:40 Wednesday 8:15 Jazz "Rockstar"
- 7:50 Thursday 5:45 Jazz "Smooth Criminal"
- 8:00 Thursday 7:45 Jazz "Smooth Criminal"

DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Monday, May 11th, 2009

- 4:00 Monday 12:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 4:15 Tuesday 12:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 4:30 Monday 1:45 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 5:00 Tuesday 1:45 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 5:15 Monday 4:30 Kindergarten "Rockin' Robin"
- 5:30 Tuesday 4:30 Kindergarten "Rockin' Robin"
- 5:40 Monday 4:15 Ballet "Don Quixote"
- 5:50 Tuesday 4:15 Ballet "Sylvia Pizzicati"
- 6:00 Monday 5:15 & Tuesday 5:15 Ballet "Don Quixote Allegretto"
- 6:10 Monday 5:45 Jazz "Hey Mickey"
- 6:20 Monday 6:45 Jazz "Proud Mary"
- 6:30 Tuesday 5:45 Jazz "Maria"
- 6:40 Tuesday 6:45 Jazz "Morris Brown"
- 6:50 Tuesday 7:45 Jazz "Grace Kelly"
- 7:00 Monday 6:15 Ballet "Sylvia Valse Lente"
- 7:10 Tuesday 8:15 Ballet "Coppelia Mazurka"
- 7:40 Tuesday 6:15 Ballet "Don Quixote Sailor Dance"
- 7:50 Monday 7:45 Ballet "Coppelia Finale"

DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Friday, May 15th, 2009

- 4:00 Friday 12:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 4:15 Friday 1:45 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 4:30 Friday 4:30 Kindergarten "Rockin' Robin"
- 4:40 Friday 4:15 Jazz "Roll Over Beethoven"
- 4:50 Friday 5:45 Jazz "Hey Mickey"
- 5:00 Friday 6:45 Special Needs "Mambo #5"
- 5:10 Friday 5:15 Modern "You Can Call Me Al"
- 5:20 Friday 6:15 Modern "Cecilia"
- 5:30 Saturday 10:30 Preschool "Baby Face"
- 5:45 Saturday 11:45 Kindergarten "Rockin'Robin"
- 5:55 STAFF PICTURE
- 6:00 Baby Dance Recital
- 6:30 Saturday 10:00 Preschool "Hello Dolly"
- 6:40 Saturday 11:15 Ballet "Don Quixote"
- 6:50 Saturday 12:15 Ballet "May Flowers"
- 7:00 Saturday 1:30 Ballet "Giselle"
- 7:10 Saturday 3:00 Ballet "Copellia Finale"
- 7:20 Saturday 1:00 Hip Hop "Say My Name"
- 7:30 Saturday 2:00 Hip Hop "DANCE"
- 7:40 Saturday 3:00 Hip Hop "Oh Timbaland"
- 7:50 Saturday 4:00 Hip Hop "Hip Hop Mix"
- 8:00 Tuesday 7:15 Modern "Hey Jude"

DRESS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY. Please arrive at dress rehearsal at least 15 minutes before your scheduled time listed above. Students may come to dress rehearsal already dressed in costume, with their dance shoes in a bag. It is advisable to familiarize yourself with the location of the dressing rooms before the show. Dress rehearsal is in full costume and make up. Students should sit in the auditorium until they are called on stage.

Pictures and videos may be taken during dress rehearsal. Rehearsal usually runs quickly and on time, but please be patient since we need to make sure the dancers feel comfortable on stage.

PERFORMANCE

PLACE: Centennial Hall at the Haverford School

DATE: Sunday, May 17th, 2009

TIMES: 10:00AM, 12:00NOON, 2:00PM, 4:00PM, and 6:00PM sharp.

The following requirements include standard etiquette and other backstage suggestion. We have your child's safety in mind. Please read carefully.

A female parent or guardian only is permitted in the girl's dressing room. Please leave siblings in the auditorium with a responsible adult. Back stage areas must remain clear for performers and assistants. Boys are provided a separate dressing area.

Please have your child completely dressed and in full make up 15 minutes prior to show time. At that time, parents can go to their seats and enjoy the show. Performers remain backstage for the entire show, unless they have a ticket to enter the auditorium. (Children under 5 years old can sit on laps.)

Performers must either change out of their costumes or wear a cover up to enter the auditorium.

PERFORMERS IN 2 OR MORE ROUTINES

Moms are welcome to assist their child in the dressing rooms with costume changes. Please only leave the auditorium between dances.

BACKSTAGE PROCEDURE

A responsible adult guards doors to the dressing rooms. This adult has a record of all families' seat numbers so we can contact a parent if necessary. Performers proceed through five stations, which are monitored by helpers.

- 1* Dancers are lined up in the dressing room.
- 2* They move into the hall and are attended by an assistant.
- 3* Behind the stage they wait quietly to enter the stage.
- 4* ON STAGE☺
- 5* An assistant walks them back to the dressing room.

CAMERAS AND VIDEOS

We do not allow any pictures or video taping during the performance. Please do your photographing and taping at dress rehearsal. Cameras block views and flashes distract the performers, which could result in injury. Cameras and recorders are not permitted at the show.

DVDS

We are thrilled to have a NEW company, Video Edge, taping the recitals this year and we are happy that the new DVDs will only cost \$22 each (instead of \$35 for last year's DVD) Video Edge does an amazing job taping dance recitals and has been in business for 28 years. They have also received BEST OF DELAWARE COUNTY for 3 years in a row. I know that you will be very pleased with the quality AND the cost of this year's DVD. A flyer is enclosed. Please return your order form ASAP to Dancexpress.

PICTURES

National Portraits will be taking pictures during your dress rehearsal times. There will be a composite in the studio next fall of ALL of the pictures taken by National Portraits at dress rehearsal.

TICKETS

Your dance teacher will hand out TICKETS FOR THE PERFORMANCE during the week of May 1st. Tickets will only be given to families who have paid tuition in full. The final tuition payment for May is due the first week of May.

Many hours have been spent organizing your child's performance. Please take note of all the regulations and remember that we have your child's safety and enjoyment in mind. Please respect the Haverford School and help us maintain a pleasant relationship with them so they will look forward to our return visits.

Each show is approximately one hour long. Please stay for the entire show and support all of the Dancexpress dancers. They have worked so hard this year.

NOTES

- Any moms interested in helping out backstage or giving out programs at the recital please let me know. I thank you ahead of time for your assistance.
- Remember there will still be dance classes after the recital until Thursday, May 21st.
- Since we are expecting a full studio in 2009-2010, we are offering our current students an opportunity to sign up for classes first for next year starting on Monday, May 18th. The schedule for next year will be available on Monday, May 18th. A \$10 registration fee will be required to hold your class space for next year. This is not a deposit and will not be deducted from September's tuition.
- SUMMER CAMPS are filling fast. Check out all the week's we are offering at our newly remodeled website www.mydancexpress.com If you are interested in signing up, please do so at the desk or call 610.668.4645 for more information.

If you have any questions please contact me and I will get back to you immediately. We are having a wonderful year and I thank you in advance for your cooperation and support and I look forward to our 17th exciting and talent filled show.

Sincerely,
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