

Dance Recital 2017 Newsletter

We are so excited to again have the auditorium of Hunterdon Central High School for our 15th annual dance recital! The auditorium entrance is located in the front of the high school, on Route 31 North by the fountain.

The following information and guidelines are crucial to ensure a successful, enjoyable, and safe production.

- The dance recital will be held on Saturday, June 10th.
- **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday classes will be performing from 11:00am-1:00pm.**
Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday classes will be performing from 4:00pm-6:00pm.
- Dress rehearsals will be held Tuesday June 6 for the Monday, Wednesday, Friday classes and Thursday June 8th for the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
- The cost is **\$65.00 per child, per class (this includes the costume)**
- Tickets are \$12.00 each and will be available for purchase at the program desk and the front desk beginning May 1st

Please fill out the attached registration form with payment and return to the program desk or front desk.

Thank you

Dress rehearsal

Dress rehearsals will be held on Tuesday, June 6th for dancers who attend classes Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Dress rehearsal Thursday, June 8th for dancers who attend Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday classes

Dress rehearsal is extremely important. They allow the student to become familiar with both the stage and backstage areas. This helps them to have a better understanding of what will take place the day of the performance. It's also a technical rehearsal for spacing and lighting. Technical rehearsals help the dancer and the instructor understand where they need to be in space, along with what kind of lighting is best for costumes, mood, etc. the dress rehearsal schedule is as follows:

Dress Rehearsal Tuesday June 6th **Monday, Wednesday, Friday classes**

4:00-5:00pm Ages 4/5 classes
5:00-6:00pm Ages Kindergarten classes
6:00-7:00pm Ages 6/7 classes
7:00-8:30pm Ages 8-10 classes
8:30-10:00pm Ages 11+

Dress Rehearsal Thursday June 8th **Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday classes**

4:00-5:30pm Ages 4/5 classes
5:30-6:30pm Ages Kindergarten classes
6:30-7:30pm Ages 6/7 classes
7:30-9:00pm Ages 8-10 classes
8:30-10:00pm Ages 11+

Commonly asked recital questions

Costumes

In order to make sure costumes are delivered in a timely manner, final orders will be placed by the end of January. Please remember that if your child drops out of the recital once a costume order has already been placed, he/she will receive their costume when they're given out in May. There will be **NO** refunds once registration forms and payments have been processed.

Costumes will be handed out the week of May 15th.

Ticket Procedure

Tickets will be available for purchase at the program desk, and the front desk beginning May 1st. They will also be available for purchase at the door the day of the recital. Tickets are \$12.00 each. **Everyone must purchase a ticket, including small children.** There are two separate shows. If you're attending both shows, you must purchase tickets for each show. You must present your ticket at the door the day of the recital. Lost tickets will not be honored. Please purchase your tickets in advance, for there is limited availability at the door.

Parent volunteers for backstage is an extremely important part of what makes the recital a success.

Duties include: helping dancers with quick costume changes, going to the bathroom, keeping children busy while waiting to perform, etc. I need parents who are committed to helping **all** the children and who can handle the organized chaos of a performance with 400 participants. **Families of parent volunteers will receive priority seating at the recital.** Parents will be assigned specific classes and children to be helped. Anyone interested in

volunteering backstage can contact me at barraco@healthquest-fitness.com.

Child care

Child care will be available in KidQuest during the performances for siblings who may have a difficult time sitting through the recital. The cost will be \$30.00 per family.

What time and where do I report to the theater the day of the Recital?

Dancers report 30 minutes prior to the start time of the performance. Please come and dressed and ready with hair and make-up done.

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday classes will report to the theater at 10:30am for a 11:00am start time.

Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday classes will report to the theater at 3:30pm for a 4:00pm start time.

The auditorium entrance is in the front of the High School on Route 31 North by the fountain.

Can I remain backstage with my child?

No. Backstage is an extremely busy place and we are challenged for adequate room. Therefore, we ask that only the teachers, technicians, and volunteers remain backstage.

Can I take my child when their dance is done?

All dancers will be returning to the stage at the end for a final bow. They've worked so hard and deserve it, so let's make this their special day. Parents **will not** be allowed backstage until the end of the performance to retrieve their children. Once the show has ended, we will allow small groups of parents at a time to get their children. This is for the safety of the children. Your patience and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Can I pack a snack for my child?

Yes, however, please nothing that can stain or is too messy.

And please, no nut products

If I am in both shows, can I leave between shows? Yes, but please be back by call time.

What does my child need with their costume?

A description of what your child needs with his/her costume, such as tights and hairstyles, will be attached with their costumes. **Tights will be available for purchase at HealthQuest this year!**

Do I have to come to the dress rehearsal?

Yes. This is the most important rehearsal your child will have. Dancers need to familiarize themselves with the stage and backstage areas. Remember, they're dancing in an entirely different environment. Therefore, it is imperative for the dancers to come in and re-space their pieces to fit on the stage. This also allows the technicians to see them in costume, and figure out appropriate lighting. Missing this rehearsal is doing a great disservice to not only your child, but to all the children in the class. Parents do not have to remain at the rehearsal. They may drop off children and return at the end of rehearsal time to pick up.

Can I videotape during the performance?

No. As important as this day is for your child, it is just as important for all other audience members. Therefore, too many people taping at one time can become disruptive to the audience as well as the performers.

Can I video tape during the dress rehearsal?

Yes! This will be your chance to get up and close and personal because there will be no videotaping the day of the Recital.

Thank you and let's have a great show!



Dance Recital June 10th 2017

REGISTRATION

Registration begins October 3rd and ends January 7th 2017, Bring completed forms to the Program Desk or drop off at the Front Desk.

Fee: \$65.00 per child per class

Children will be measured for their costume the weeks of January 2nd & 9th. After January 14th we cannot accept any late registrations.

Dancer's name _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Phone # _____

Email Address: _____

Day _____ **Time** _____ **Age Group/Class Type** _____

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of classes _____ **x \$65.00 =** _____

Late fee (per child per class) _____ **x \$25.00 =** _____

Total Amount Due _____ **=** _____

Cancellation Policy: There will be no refunds or cancellations after this form and payment has been processed.

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Please Circle Method of Payment:

Cash Check Credit Card Member Charge

HQ Member Charge Account # _____ **Check #** _____ *(payable to HealthQuest)*

Credit Card # _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

Signature*: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature required for all HQ Charge to Account and Credit Card Charges

For Office Use Only:

Point of Sale

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Employee Initial: _____

If you participate in the dance recital you are responsible for your family, or parent child membership through June 30th. This includes June 25th billing cycle. Initial _____