

## HAIR INSTRUCTIONS:

- Hair parted down the middle.
- Bun will be placed in the middle back of the head (not too high or low).
- Hair slicked back with plenty of gel and hairspray, no flyaways.
- Use a bun maker, plenty of bobby pins, and a hair net to secure!
- Practice ahead with YouTube tutorials if needed!!

## STAGE MAKEUP REQUIREMENTS:

- Use primer, foundation matching skin tone, blush, neutral eye shadows (some shimmer is fun!) eyeliner, mascara or false lashes, and burgundy lipstick (pink for 3 & 4-year-olds).
- No jewelry or colored nail polish.
- Stage makeup is required for all performers. Because the stage lights are so powerful, makeup is necessary to prevent dancers from looking washed out under the bright beams. Please ensure your child is stage ready upon arrival!

### Label Everything:

Please label costumes, shoes, bags, and all personal items. We cannot return unlabeled items.

## WHAT TO BRING:

- Plenty of water (no sticky juices).
- Clean snacks or light lunch (non-staining). Your children will get hungry!! Please do not send them without food and water. **ESPECIALLY WATER!**
- Quiet activities like books, coloring books, or small games.
- Eat a healthy breakfast or lunch before arrival.
- Comfort items for little ones if needed such as a special teddy or blanket. Please make sure that their name is on these items also!!
- Please only pack one bag for your child. There is limited space in the back!
- If your child chooses to bring a phone or any electronic devices, they are fully responsible for those items.

## PHOTOS & VIDEO:

We ask that there is **NO flash photography or videoing during the performance** as it distracts dancers and the audience. The performance will be professionally recorded, and a download link will be shared with all families. Please stay until the **end of the show, every dancer deserves a full audience!**

We are excited to announce that **Half Moment Photography** will be capturing action shots throughout both performances this year! You will have the opportunity to purchase professional photos of your dancer's time on stage following the recital.

## THEATRE ETIQUETTE:

Please only enter or exit the theatre **BETWEEN** dances. If you must leave during a performance, do so **QUIETLY and QUICKLY. Do not enter during a performance. Please respect our volunteer ushers, they are here to help!**

### Audience please Cheer!!

We encourage you to cheer loudly and proudly for all our dancers! They've worked hard for this moment!! Get excited and have fun!

## PHOTO BACKDROP:

Take photos of your dancer at our "Totally 80's" banner at the front of the Theatre! Share on social media and tag us **@dancetheatrewellington**.

## DISMISSAL:

All dancers remain backstage until the end after finale **except for 3 & 4-year-olds, who will be dismissed at intermission. Parents of 3 & 4 year olds will receive a black wristband** to enter and pick up their child at intermission.

**For all other students:** Once all students have returned to BLDG 100 **after the finale**, we will open the doors to **ONE PARENT ONLY**. If your child is in a 4 & 5 or 5 & 6 year old class, they will stay until finale!!

Please be patient at pickup and send only **ONE parent** backstage to help avoid congestion. **We do not allow children to leave unaccompanied.**

## CONCESSIONS & MERCHANDISE:

Looking for a treat or a keepsake? We will have concessions available for purchase, including assortments of candy, chips, and chilled beverages. Additionally, a limited supply of flowers, teddy bears, and official recital t-shirts will be available, be sure to grab yours while supplies last!

## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **Tickets:**  
<https://31653.danceticketing.com>
- **Hair and makeup tutorials:**  
[https://youtu.be/pB6-Pps7YM0?si=v8sGiQl8F\\_hmtkYG](https://youtu.be/pB6-Pps7YM0?si=v8sGiQl8F_hmtkYG)  
[https://youtu.be/iD6NKY14sho?si=N\\_9LHLiChLKMOC8](https://youtu.be/iD6NKY14sho?si=N_9LHLiChLKMOC8)

## FINAL NOTE:

This is a special day to celebrate your child's hard work and dedication to dance. Relax, enjoy the show, and make wonderful memories!

Thank you to all of you for entrusting your child's dance education with us. We are so proud of every student and what they have accomplished this year. We can't wait to show it all to you!

*Thank You!*