



2022 Recital Agreement

52nd Anniversary “Under the Big Top”

Dress Rehearsals:

Thurs. June 2 & Fri. June 3, 2022

Recital:

Sat. June 4, 2022

Westlake High School Performing Arts Center

4100 Westbank Drive Austin, TX 78746

Everyone must read & return the signed portion to SMSD by November 10, 2021. You can also sign the hard copy that was handed out in class.

Recital Information for (student name):

Overview

Every year SMSD produces a professional dance recital showcasing our students. Recitals are always a highlight of a dancer's experience each year! It is a very positive, fun-filled event that allows them to put their hard work on display for family and friends. Participation in recital is a privilege and should be taken seriously. *We strongly encourage participation in the recital, and the vast majority of our dancers do choose to perform.* We encourage parents to enroll even those children with a bit of stage fright, as recital is an exciting, rewarding and confidence-building experience! We want all our dancers to feel included and hope to avoid disappointment of non-performing students during recital costume try-on and rehearsals in the classroom.

Creating and producing a recital takes a lot of time and preparation. Here you will find many details concerning our yearly performance. We hope this will make your experience with our studio's recitals all the more enjoyable.

Recital Procedures

If your student only dances in one class, they will only be in one recital. If they take multiple classes or you have multiple students in dance, you will likely be enjoying multiple recitals. During the recital, dancers sit together as a class backstage during the entire show in which they perform. This may be for as long as one hour. The backstage area is well supervised.

We hope this information will answer many of your questions and concerns regarding the 2022 recital and that it will allow plenty of time to rearrange work schedules, family vacations, and other activities. Thank you so much for your cooperation and for letting us share our joy of dance with your dancers!

Happy Tappin'
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Attendance & Commitment

Students are expected to attend class on a regular basis in preparation for the recital. Dancers who miss multiple classes can create a disruptive learning experience for the entire class. *Other extracurricular activities and birthday parties are not valid excuses to miss class.* Once staging is set, it is discouraging for the class and teacher if a student drops out. It would be inconsiderate to inform the teacher that a student is unable to participate in the recital once the choreography has been started. Please impress upon your dancer it is important to follow through with the entire dance year, so as not to disrupt the rest of the class, which has been working so hard.

Costumes & Costume Deposit

The costume deposit is \$75 per student, per class. This includes shipping, handling, sizing, tights, accessories, and recital shirt for most classes. *Tap and Jazz level I & up only have one costume fee due if your student is enrolled in both classes.* **Costume fees are due in full no later than November 10, 2021. After November 10, late fees will be charged. There are no refunds on costumes.** Costume fees are due in November because SMSD must order them in December. **Please remember what you are paying now is only a deposit, and you may receive a bill for the remainder in the spring since some costumes run a little over \$75.** *Students may not switch classes once costumes are ordered.*

We will measure students in class for costumes 11/29-12/4. If your child misses class that week it is your responsibility to bring them by the office ASAP to be measured. We try to order the correct size costume for each student based on their measurements, but if any size exchanges or alterations are necessary, **the fees are the responsibility of the parent.** If your student drops out for any reason, it is your responsibility to pick up your costume or forfeit it to SMSD.

Recital Fees

Recital fee is \$85 per family. This is due January 10, 2022. This fee covers additional recital expenses incurred by SMSD such as venue rental fees, technical fees, printing, etc. **This fee includes 2 recital tickets per family and a digital download of all shows.** Additional tickets may be purchased prior to the performance. The recital fee will be automatically charged to the card on file on January 10, 2022.

Rehearsal Policies

Dress rehearsals are June 2-3, 2022. Your student will be assigned a specific day and time to attend. Dress rehearsal schedules will be out by April 1, 2022. **Each student must attend dress rehearsal in costume, ready to perform, to be in the recital. There are NO exceptions.**

Please do not bring siblings and/or strollers to the backstage area during rehearsal. Space is limited.

Recital Information Form for:

_____ (Dancer's Name)

(Please Initial)

_____ My student will attend dress rehearsal June 2 and/or 3, 2022, at their assigned time, unless there is an emergency. I understand I will receive my dancer's assigned rehearsal time by April 1, 2022.

_____ My student will attend the recital on June 4, 2022, unless there is an emergency.

_____ I understand I am responsible for the costume deposit (and any remaining costume balance), recital fees, and my tuition for my student to participate in the recital. If my student drops for any reason, I am still responsible for any remaining costume fees.

_____ I understand that my student must maintain good attendance in their classes to participate in the recital.

_____ *My student will not be participating in the recital, and I understand they will not be ordered a costume.*

Costume Fees

Dancer's Name _____

Class Day & Time _____ (\$75.00)

Class Day & Time _____ (\$75.00)

(Add extra pages for additional dancers/classes.)

Total due for all costumes _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Detach & return this portion. Recital participants: costume deposit will be charged to the card on file on November 10, 2021.