

NOTE ABOUT FESTIVAL BEHAVIORS AND RULES

BE PREPARED TO PAY AN ENTRY FEE (PERFORMERS ARE FREE) TO WATCH THE GREAT ENTERTAINMENT!

Please meet in the lobby, 1 hour ahead of the scheduled time, **DRESSED AND READY TO GO** (includes hair and make-up already done) If you prefer to get ready at the theatre, arrive earlier so that you can be dressed, ready to dance and meet in the lobby 1 hour ahead of the scheduled performance time. If you are nervous about applying make-up, please do a test-run at home as there will not be time for us to do any student's make-up at the festival. (A make-up instruction sheet will be sent home with the girls. Please ask for one at the front desk if yours does not arrive at home)

Once assembled in the lobby, your teacher will take the dancers to a rehearsal hall; whilst you can go and watch the entertainment in the theatre. After we dance on stage, the students may need to remain backstage. They will go back on the stage for their adjudication and to receive awards. As it is a festival, everyone will receive a medal based on the adjudicator's opinion and ranking for that day's performance. After the adjudication, the dancers will be sent back to the lobby to meet up with their proud, supportive and loving families!

IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO BE ON TIME, as the dancers need the time to prepare for their performance on stage. This is a very exciting time for the dancers, so please show your support and give yourself the necessary time required to be on time. Festivals can run 30 minutes ahead of schedule, and if you are late, and the festival is running ahead, we might not get to have the crucial run through in rehearsal hall (there's always a line up of groups from all the other dance studio's waiting to rehearse). Your dancers need this time to feel confident and to be with their teacher and their teammates.

You are **NOT ALLOWED TO VIDEO OR PHOTOGRAPH** your child when they dance on the Stage. Each Festival has professional photographers & videographers and you may purchase pictures or videos from them. If you are caught videotaping (and you most likely will, so PLEASE DON'T TRY) our dancers for that routine will be disqualified as per the festival rules.

We are all so proud of our dancers; **so regardless of the medal placement**, let's focus on the process and the opportunity that participating in a festival has to offer our dancers. Also, let's embrace this chance to teach our dancers sportsmanship and manners. Negative or judgmental comments regarding the adjudicator and/or other dancers are not acceptable. Thank you!

HAPPY FESTIVAL SEASON!