



Pre-Planning

The Recital is not a one-day activity. Gather all costumes, accessories, shoes and make-up several days in advance so you will know if something is missing or isn't right. Make a checklist of your child's routine, listing their costume, tights, shoes and any accessories, and refer to it to make sure you have all your supplies before going to the theater.

Bring at least one extra pair of tights of each color, extra hair gel, Hair-Nets, bobby pins and hairspray.

TIPS and RECOMMENDATIONS:

- * Baby Wipes/Shout Wipes to fix make-up mistakes, light stains and to wipe hands.
- * Baby Powder is recommended for itchy costumes.
- * Safety Pins are recommended for Emergency Costume Repair.
- * Clear Nail Polish for Fingernails is recommended as well as to repair holes or runs in tights when there is no time to change them.
- * A Pain Reliever of choice (Optional) only under Parents and/or Adult supervision.
- * Band-Aids (The 'invisible' kind for small scratches).

RULES to remember to make sure the costumes are PREPARED:

1. No eating or drinking in your costume.
2. No washing your costume until the recital is over. (Dry Clean Only after the show)
3. No wearing your costume before the show unless it is Picture Day, Dress Rehearsal or the day of the Show!
4. No spraying perfume on costumes.
5. No chewing gum in costume.
6. No nail polish.
7. No jewelry unless it is part of the costume.
8. Always double check your garment bag to make sure you have your full costumes, shoes, accessories, tights, socks, etc.
9. Always have your costume on a hanger.
10. Having a second Pair of tights on hand offers students and parents a great sense of security.



Dress Rehearsal with Costumes

Participation in the dress rehearsal is **MANDATORY** in ensuring the performer's confidence onstage. The dress rehearsal allows the students to become familiar with the auditorium, their dressing room, and to feel comfortable with their performance onstage. Lighting, music cues, set changes, and all other logistics for an organized and professional performance are rehearsed so that the students make the best impression possible.

We run an organized and timely dress rehearsal. Please arrive at least 60 minutes prior to curtain time. Students are encouraged to arrive dressed in their first performance costume.

Dress Rehearsal Etiquette: Students must respect other student's space and property in the dressing rooms. **NO FOOD OR DRINKS BROUGHT IN FROM THE OUTSIDE** will be permitted in the dressing rooms. The studio will provide water and light finger snacks which may be consumed in a designated area on campus, so please **DO NOT SEND ANYTHING TO EAT OR DRINK** with your child, as it is not permitted by the theater.

DRESS REHEARSAL GUESTS: ONLY ONE PARENT OR GUARDIAN MAY ACCOMPANY EACH STUDENT TO THE DRESS REHEARSAL. Siblings who do not dance at Fox Studio must remain at home! Additional attendees at the dress rehearsal will be subject to the full cost of a recital ticket.

If a parent/guardian withdraws a child from FOX STUDIO prior to the recital, there is NO REFUND. A credit for the Recital Fee **ONLY** can be given within **1 month** after the recital date.

*Also, you will get to pick up your costume and keep it, as long as you pick it up before **Saturday, June 14, 2025**. Any costume not picked up one (1) month after the show will become the property of FOX STUDIO.*

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP CHILD AT THE AUDITORIUM

Dress Rehearsal Drop-Off: Parents or guardian should bring the students to their assigned dressing rooms, where they will be checked in and placed under the supervision of their class mom(s). Parents are not allowed in the dressing rooms once the children have been checked in for the rehearsal. Check in time for Rehearsal is **Friday, June 20, 2025 is 5:30pm**. All students must be checked in **NO LATER THAN 6:00pm**. **Anyone not assigned backstage is not allowed in the dressing rooms after the children have been checked in at the theater.**

Dress Rehearsal Dismissal: Students will be dismissed from rehearsal once they have completed all of their routines, including the finale. We will rehearse the finale between Act 1 and Act 2 so that students who are on in Act 2 do not have to remain through the end of the rehearsal.



Day of Show Arrivals & Dismissals

ALL DANCERS MUST BE AT THEIR CALL TIMES 1 HOUR BEFORE SHOWTIME. Although this will be an exciting, unforgettable experience, it can be slightly hectic with parking and check in and we want to allow our dancers time to settle in and prepare.

Parents or Guardians will bring their child to their assigned dressing rooms, where they will be checked in and placed under the supervision of their class mom(s). Students will remain backstage for the entire Performance. After the Finale, the class moms will bring the groups to the auditorium Lobby to be picked up. Parents are not allowed in the dressing rooms after the children have been checked in for the Recital.

1) **CHECK-IN TIME** (CURTAIN CALL) FOR THE 1st SHOW IS **10:00AM**. *NOTE: ONE (1) HOUR BEFORE THE SHOW.*

2) **CHECK-IN TIME** (CURTAIN CALL) FOR THE 2nd SHOW IS **1:00PM**. *NOTE: ONE (1) HOUR BEFORE THE SHOW.*

Special Note: Please do not attempt to pick you your child during the performance. All students will be under the supervision of responsible adults and will be safe for the length of the performance. The dressing rooms will be stocked with various activities.

RECITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - PICTURE DAY (ADJUSTED)

Class and individual photos will be taken at **FOX STUDIO on 1115 Celis Street, San Fernando, Day/Time TBD**. Please confirm your child's time on the schedule which will be posted at the studio and emailed. There is no obligation to purchase photos. Please arrive at least an hour before your child's scheduled time, since photo shoots often run ahead of schedule.

HAIR & MAKE-UP for Picture Day: Consider it the same as a performance. Female students should wear red lipstick, light blush, eye shadow (not blue) and mascara. For boys, a little blush works well.

Uniform hairstyles are required for Picture Day & Show Day. PLEASE DO NOT DO YOUR OWN HAIRSTYLE! Girls must have their hair in a bun with no bangs for all ballet routines. Check with your teacher for specific styles for jazz, hip hop and tap. Gymnastics students should have their hair in a ponytail.



RECITAL POLICIES

Video & Photography during Showtime: Parents or guardians may videotape or shoot photos of their children at **the dress rehearsal only**. Please, **NO VIDEOS OR PHOTOGRAPHY OF ANY KIND WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THE PERFORMANCE.**

AUDITORIUM RULES: No eating, drinking, or smoking is allowed in the auditorium, dressing rooms, or front lobby. When not on stage, all dancers must remain in the dressing rooms with their class moms during the dress rehearsal and the show.

BACKSTAGE: Family members and friends **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED** backstage or in the dressing rooms during rehearsals or the recital. The same applies during intermission and after the show. There is a great deal **OF BACKSTAGE ACTIVITY** in a limited space and dressing rooms are private areas. Please remind your family and guests to be respectful of these areas. Those who wish to greet a performer after the show may do so in the lobby area after the performer has been released to a responsible parent.

Indoor theater etiquette is different from an outdoor sporting event: Courtesy is contagious. If the adults practice courtesy, the children will learn from that. Please remain seated while the performers are on stage. Any guest arriving late to the show will not be seated until the music stops and performers have exited the stage.

PLEASE, TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES, PAGERS AND/OR ANY DEVICES DURING THE PERFORMANCE.

FOX STUDIO strongly recommends that you not **BRING** children that are two (2) years & younger. It has been our experience younger children would be uncomfortable sitting for long periods of time. Babies crying and restless children are distracting. Please be respectful to the audience watching the show and the performers on stage. If this cannot be avoided, then make sure crying babies are brought out into the lobby.