Helpful Dress Rehearsal/Recital Information

1. **Dress Rehearsals run Monday, May 7th-9th at Williams High School.** Please view the schedule for dress rehearsal on line and arrive at least 15-20 minutes ahead of the scheduled block of time to perform. The rehearsal times are **NOT** the same as the weekly class times. The dress rehearsal schedule is on line at <u>www.copa-dance.com</u>

2. Most recreational (not competitive) classes will enter/exit the stage at rehearsal and go right back on for a 2nd run through before changing shoes. Shoe changes need to be quick so we stay on schedule.

3. Parents can video/take pictures during dress rehearsal, but **NOT** during the recitals.

4. Due to the audience area not being dark during dress rehearsal, it's ok if your child is a little hesitant. It doesn't mean they won't dance at recital. It's a big difference when the audience is dark during the recital performance.

5. Recitals are Friday, 5/11 -6:00 Preshow, 6:30 Recital, Saturday, 5/12- 9:30am preshow, 10am recital and Saturday, 5/12- 2:30 preshow and 3:00 recital. There will be a 30 minute pre-show before each show. The pre-show consists of competitive solo/duets/trios. This is a great thing for the kids in the 1st part of the show to see. Parents can put their items in dressing room and then bring them backstage 5-10 minutes before the show starts.

6. Any child performing after routine #15, in any show, can be brought backstage about 10 numbers ahead of their routine. Please be sure you check the line-up for any changes that may have occurred. Please exit and return through the back of the auditorium **between** routines.

7. Please do not get up from your seats during any performance. Leaving and returning to your seats must take place **between** routines and not during.

8. All kids remaining at the end of the recitals will participate in the finale. This is great way to finish and parents will pick the kids up from the front of the stage after the recital. COPA staff and team kids will help you find your child. We will not let any child off stage without a parent/relative there to get your child.

9. During each finale COPA will announce 1 raffle winner of a \$200 gift certificate towards tuition for the 2017-2018 dance year. The raffle will benefit Living Free Ministries. There will be 3 raffles (1 during each recital finale). Tickets will be sold in the lobby before each show. Please show your support for Living Free Ministries.

10. DVD order forms will be available during dress rehearsals and recitals.

11. During dress rehearsals B & H Trophies will accept pre-orders and Tammy from The Lucky Ladybug Florist will accept flower pre-orders.

12. Label all costumes with your child's name and it would be awesome if you pinned your child's recital number to their costume bag or attached a list of their routines to their child's bag, etc. Ex: #3, Susie Tap, #7, Susie ballet, #14 Susie Jazz- This info is a great help to our dressing

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room helpers. If your child has a **rush costume change** and you need help, be sure to notify the dressing room helpers as soon as you arrive. Make sure your child knows all the information as well and where their costumes, etc are located. Please be sure your child's shoes are also labeled.

13. The younger children will be kept in the dressing room titled "Classroom" and we will provide toys to keep them busy. It is also helpful if you provide a snack in your child's bag. As for the older kids, they may bring an item to keep them busy, but COPA is NOT responsible for any electronic devices that are brought to the premises.

Please read the above information! It will also be put on our website.