



# Dance Recital Survival Guide

## Parents & Dancers:

**PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE PACKET!** I know this is new to many of us, but I promise many of your questions are answered within the next couple of pages. Please try to ask your questions to Office Manager Melissa at the front desk or text us at 217-909-9111.

## When & where is the recital?

**Show #1 - Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 12:30 p.m. at Mt. Zion High School Auditorium in Mt. Zion, IL**

**Show #2 - Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m. at Mt. Zion High School Auditorium in Mt. Zion, IL**

## Which recital show(s) is my dancer performing in?

Please see below to see which show your dancer is in. Make sure to share this information with your friends/family as well. As always, you can look up what class your dancer is enrolled in through your parent portal account. If you have questions, please reach out to Office Manager Melissa to help you.

### **Show #1 Sunday, May 12th @ 12:30 PM**

Itty Bitty Acro (THUR), Itty Bitty Ballet

Preschool Acro (TUE), Preschool Combo, Preschool Hip Hop

Beginning Acro, Beginning Combo, Beginning Hip Hop

Elementary Acro, Elementary Ballet, Elementary Hip Hop, Elementary Pom

Acro 1, Combo 1, Hip Hop 1, Hip Hop 1 / 2

Tap 5

Boys Hip Hop

Opening Number, Daddy Daughter Dance Show 1

Competition Team- Teenie Open, Mini Lyrical, Jr. Large MT, Contemporary, Production

### **Show #2 Sunday, May 12th @ 4:00 PM**

Itty Bitty Acro (TUE)

Preschool Acro (MON)

Pre-Teen Acro, Pre-Teen Ballet, Pre-Teen Hip Hop, Pre-Teen Jazz, Pre-Teen Lyrical, Pre-Teen

Musical Theatre, Pre-Teen Pom, Pre-Teen Tap

Acro 2, Combo 2, Hip Hop 2, Lyrical 2

Acro 3/4, Ballet 3/4, Hip Hop 3/4 / Teen Hip Hop, Jazz 3/4, Lyrical 3/4, Tap 3/4

Busy Bee & Acro 4/5, Ballet 5, Busy Bee/ Hip Hop 5, Busy Bee Lyrical, Lyrical 5, Musical Theatre 4/5, Pointe

Opening Number, Daddy Daughter Dance Show 2

Competition Team- Pom, Teen MT, Teenie Jazz, Hip Hop, Acro, Jr. Jazz, Production

\*Please note this is NOT the show order but listed alphabetically by levels, we will distribute a personalized Student Acts recital order for you closer to recital.

**The next section of this packet will go through  
important dates & information leading up to the recital**

## Tickets Go On Sale – Friday, April 19<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

There are 3 ways to purchase tickets - Ticket sales begin Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> @ 9 a.m.

1. **Online** - You can purchase 4/19 @ 9:00 a.m. - 5/3 @ 8:00 a.m.
  - <https://www.sullivan5678.com/recital> & look for the buy tickets link
2. **By Phone** - You can purchase 4/21 @ 9:00 a.m. - 5/2 @ 7:00 p.m.
  - 1-855-222-2849
  - Sunday 11AM-7PM, Monday – Friday 8AM-7PM, and Saturday 8AM-7PM
3. **At the show** - There will be **LIMITED** tickets available for sale the day of the show
  - Cash and debit/credit cards accepted

### More seating/ticketing details

- **FAQ #1: Is it assigned seating?**
  - Yes! The sooner you purchase your ticket, the closer seats you will get.
- **FAQ #2: How much are tickets?**
  - \$20 each Rows B - J
  - \$15 each Rows K on
- **FAQ #3: Who needs a ticket?**
  - You must buy tickets for EACH show you wish to attend.
  - Dancers in the show do NOT need a ticket, they will be backstage.
  - Children 2 & under sitting on laps do NOT need a ticket.

## Costume Week – April 22<sup>nd</sup> – April 26<sup>th</sup>

We encourage parents to accompany their children to class this week. Dancers will be trying on costumes and performing a sneak preview of the routine for you. This is the perfect opportunity to take a video for your dancer to practice with. Costumes will be signed out to grown-ups at the front desk after each class. You must have a \$0 balance to receive your costumes. NO EXCEPTIONS!

- **FAQ #1: Do I get to keep this costume?**
  - Yes! Spring recital costumes you already purchased and get to keep.
- **FAQ #2: Will I receive tights or a hair accessory?**
  - You will receive tights with your costume IF your child's class is wearing them. The cost was already included in your costume balance.
  - If you would like to exchange your tights for another size, please do NOT open them.
  - Boys do NOT wear tights.
  - You may receive a hair piece or additional accessories IF your child's class has any. Some we also provide the day of the recital backstage that belong to the studio.
- **FAQ #3: Will I receive shoes?**
  - No, these are your responsibility to provide. Please see the front desk to get them ordered ASAP if you do not have the proper style/color.
- **FAQ #4: What other costume items does my dancer need?**
  - Depending on their age you may need a dance bra/straps.
- **FAQ #5: How do I care for the costume?**
  - Please hang the costume in a safe place.
  - Tutus can be hung upside down from the crotch to get "fluffier".
  - Those with satin like material may need to use a steamer on their costume.
  - DO NOT WASH THEM IN THE WASHING MACHINE!
  - Do NOT let your child eat or drink anything except water in their costume.
- **FAQ #6: How should I transport my costumes?**
  - A hanger and garment bag are provided with your costume. Please transport with the garment bag.

## Shoes & Tights listed alphabetically by class name

Class	Shoes	Tights	Accessories
Acro 1	None	Skin tone footless	None
Acro 2	None	Skin tone footless	Flower hair clip on right top corner above bun
Acro 3/4	None	Skin tone footless	Large gem ponytail cuff around bun
Acro 4/5 & Busy Bee Acro	None	Black stirrup tights	None
Ballet 3/4	Pink Ballet	Pink footed	Floral ribbon hair clip on right top corner above bun
Ballet 5	Pink Ballet	Pink footed	Sequin appliqué for hair right side of bun
Beginning Acro	None	Skin tone footless	None
Beginning Combo - Ballet	Pink Ballet	Skin tone footed	Flower hair clip centered in front of bun - Tutu for Ballet
Beginning Combo - Tap	Black Tap	Same as ballet	Fringe Skirt for Tap
Beginning Hip Hop	Black Hightops	None	Bow hair clip centered in front of bun
Boys Hip Hop	Black Hightops	None	None
Busy Bee Lyrical	None	None	Appliqué headpiece right side of head
Combo 1 - Ballet	Pink Ballet	Skin tone footed	Flower hair clip centered in front of bun - Tutu for Ballet
Combo 1 - Jazz	Black Jazz	Same as ballet	Feather hair clip centered in front of bun - Feather skirt for Jazz
Combo 2 - Ballet	Pink Ballet	Skin tone footed	Rose hair clip centered above bun
Combo 2 - Jazz	Black Jazz	Same as ballet	Sequin bow hair clip centered above bun
Elementary Acro	None	Skin tone footless	Feather boa hair clip center in front of bun
Elementary Ballet	Pink Ballet	Pink footed	Rhinestone flower hair clip center in front of bun
Elementary Hip Hop	Black Hightops	None	Scrunchie around bun
Elementary Pom	Black Jazz	Skin tone footed	Two rhinestone barrettes right side of bun
Hip Hop 1	Black Hightops	Skin tone footed	Rhinestone tube socks & Headband
Hip Hop 1 / 2	Black Hightops	None	None
Hip Hop 2	Black Hightops	None	Scrunchie around bun
Hip Hop 3/ 4 & Teen	Black Hightops	Skin tone footed	None; Boys - need plain black shirt underneath
Hip Hop 5 / Busy Bee HH	Black Hightops/Nikes	None	Black hat, Girls will need black bra/top under jacket
Itty Bitty Acro (TUE)	None	Skin tone footless	Polka dot headband with bow
Itty Bitty Acro (THUR)	None	Skin tone footless	Polka dot headband with bow
Itty Bitty Ballet	Pink Ballet	Pink footed	Flower head clip centered in front of bun
Jazz 3/4	Black Jazz	Skin tone footed	Crossed rhinestone barrette right side of bun
Lyrical 2	Freeform or 1/2 sole	Caramel footed or stirrup	Two crystal barrettes right side of bun
Lyrical 3/4	Freeform or 1/2 sole	Caramel footed or stirrup	None
Lyrical 5	Freeform	Caramel footed	None
Musical Theatre 4/5	Caramel Character Shoes	Caramel footed	Turquoise headband
Pointe	Pink Pointe	Same as ballet	Sequin hair appliqué right side of head
Preschool Combo - Ballet	Pink Ballet	Skin tone footed	Yellow bow centered in front of bun - Tutu for Ballet
Preschool Combo - Tap	Black Tap	Same as ballet	Polka dot bow centered in front of bun & Gloves - Fringe for Tap
Preschool Acro (MON)	None	Skin tone footless	Girls: Neck scarf & head scarf tied around ponytail
Preschool Acro (TUE)	None	Skin tone footless	Feather boa hair clip center in front of bun & mesh point gloves
Preschool Hip Hop	Black Hip Hop	Skin tone footed	Rhinestone tube socks & scrunchie around bun
Tap 3 / 4	Black Tap	Skin tone footed	Sailor hat
Tap 5	Black Tap	Skin tone footed	Headband-feather on the right & gloves - NOT using fur
Pre-Teen Acro	None	Skin tone footless	Hair bow centered above bun
Pre-Teen Ballet	Pink Ballet	Pink footed	Rhinestone pearl hair clip right side of bun
Pre-Teen Hip Hop	Black Hightops	None	Scrunchie around the bun
Pre-Teen Jazz	Black Jazz	Skin tone footed	Rainbow sequin hair bow centered above bun
Pre-Teen Lyrical	1/2 sole	Caramel stirrup	Rhinestone pearl hair clip right side of bun
Pre-Teen Pom	White Cheer Shoes	Skin tone footed	Hair bow - tie around bun with bow front centered above the bun
Pre-Teen Tap	Black Tap	Skin tone footed	Sequined headband with feather centered in front & pearl necklace
Opening Number	Tan Jazz or Pink Ballet	Own black leggings	None

## Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> - Pictures & Dress Rehearsals @ Mt. Zion High School Auditorium

- Attendance to dress rehearsal is **MANDATORY** to participate in the dance recital.
- Make sure your children are **ON time and ready to go**. We will not wait for anyone.
- Students should be dressed in full costume/tights/accessories and have hair and make-up exactly as they will for the recital.
- Each class will have pictures taken by J-wag studio. Pictures will go quickly please have your form filled out before your dancer's picture time begins and pose ideas picked out. The order form is included as the last page and will also be available on site.
- You may take videos and non-flash photography during dress rehearsal.
- Please be careful not to distract your dancer. Remain quiet in the audience. Each dancer should only have ONE grown-up present at dress rehearsal.

Class	Instructor	Arrive	Pictures	On Stage	End
Itty Bitty Acro (Thur)	Miss Kendall	8:45	9:00	9:15	9:25
Beginning Acro	Miss Melissa	8:55	9:10	9:25	9:35
Itty Bitty Acro (Tue)	Miss Kendall	9:05	9:20	9:35	9:45
Preschool Acro (Tue)	Miss Kendall	9:15	9:30	9:45	9:55
<b>5 minute break – Pick Mats Up</b>					
Teen/3/4 Hip Hop	Miss Maddie	9:30	9:45	10:00	10:10
Pre-Teen Jazz	Miss Elizabeth	9:40	9:55	10:10	10:20
Elementary Pom	Miss Olivia C.	9:50	10:05	10:20	10:30
Busy Bee/Hip Hop 5	Miss Maddie	10:00	10:15	10:30	10:40
Itty Bitty Ballet	Miss Jessie	10:10	10:25	10:40	10:50
Preschool Combo Ballet	Miss Jessie	10:20	10:35	10:50	11:00
Pre-Teen Pom	Miss Zoe	10:30	10:45	11:00	11:10
Beginning Hip Hop	Miss Triniti	10:40	10:55	11:10	11:20
Pre-Teen Hip Hop	Miss Triniti	10:50	11:05	11:20	11:30
Combo 1 Ballet	Miss Jessie	11:00	11:15	11:30	11:40
Ballet 5	Miss Casey	11:10	11:25	11:40	11:50
Preschool Combo Tap	Miss Jessie	11:20	11:35	11:50	12:00
Beginning Combo Ballet	Miss Olivia W.	11:30	11:45	12:00	12:10
Combo 1 Jazz	Miss Jessie	11:40	11:55	12:10	12:20
Elementary Ballet	Miss Olivia C.	11:50	12:05	12:20	12:30
Lyrical 3/4	Miss Melissa	12:00	12:15	12:30	12:40
Hip Hop 2	Miss Triniti	12:10	12:25	12:40	12:50
Beginning Combo Tap	Miss Olivia W.	12:20	12:35	12:50	1:00
Pointe	Miss Casey	12:30	12:45	1:00	1:10
Hip Hop 1	Miss Triniti	12:40	12:55	1:10	1:20
Hip Hop 1/2 & Boys HH	Miss Triniti & Mr. Cian	12:50	1:05	1:20	1:30
Ballet 3/4	Miss Casey	1:00	1:15	1:30	1:40
Lyrical 5	Miss Melissa	1:10	1:25	1:40	1:50
Preschool Hip Hop	Miss Jessie	1:20	1:35	1:50	2:00
<b>5 minute break – Put Mats Out</b>					
Acro 2	Miss Marlaina	1:35	1:50	2:05	2:15
Acro 3/4	Miss Marlaina	1:45	2:00	2:15	2:25
Preschool Acro (Mon)	Miss Melissa	1:55	2:10	2:25	2:35
Elementary Acro	Miss Marlaina	2:05	2:20	2:35	2:45
Pre-Teen Acro	Miss Marlaina	2:15	2:30	2:45	2:55
Acro 1	Miss Marlaina	2:25	2:40	2:55	3:05
<b>15 minute break – Pick Mats Up</b>					
Acro 4/5 / Busy Bee Acro	Miss Melissa	2:50	3:05	3:20	3:30
Pre-Teen Ballet	Miss Jessie	3:00	3:15	3:30	3:40
Daddy Daughter Show 1	Miss Melissa	3:10	3:25	3:40	3:50
Combo 2 Ballet	Miss Jessie	3:20	3:35	3:50	4:00
Pre-Teen Lyrical	Miss Zoe	3:30	3:45	4:00	4:10
Elementary Hip Hop	Miss Ashlee	3:40	3:55	4:10	4:20
Jazz 3/4	Miss Elizabeth	3:50	4:05	4:20	4:30
Combo 2 Jazz	Miss Jessie	4:00	4:15	4:30	4:40
Musical Theatre 4/5	Miss Melissa	4:10	4:25	4:40	4:50
Pre-Teen Tap	Miss Zoe	4:20	4:35	4:50	5:00
Daddy Daughter Show 2	Miss Melissa	4:30	4:45	5:00	5:10
Busy Bee Lyrical	Miss Melissa	4:40	4:55	5:10	5:20
Tap 3/4	Miss Elizabeth	4:50	5:05	5:20	5:30
Lyrical 2	Miss Jessie	5:00	5:15	5:30	5:40
Tap 5	Miss Melissa	5:10	5:25	5:40	5:50
Opening Number	Miss Melissa	5:20	5:35	5:50	6:30
Cian Solo	Miss Melissa	6:05	Take earlier	6:35	6:45

## Hair, Make-up, Jewelry, Tips & Tricks

- **FAQ #1: How should my dancer wear their hair?**

- Itty Bitty level may wear their hair however they'd like – out of their face
- Preschool, Beginning, Elementary, & Level 1 – Hick Sock Bun
- Level 2 – 5, Pre-teen & Teen – Middle part Low Sock Bun
- We recommend using bun builders to help!
- All boys should be clean cut and use hairspray to secure their hair. Boys with longer hair should use a ponytail or bobby pins to keep hair out of their face.

High Sock Bun & Stage Make-up



Middle part Low Sock Bun



- **FAQ #2: Should my dancer wear make-up?**

- Yes, all girls should AT LEAST wear blush and red lipstick.
  - Older girls, or brave moms, may add mascara, eyeliner, foundation, eyeshadow, and fake eyelashes.
  - Please do not use crazy bright colored eye shadow.
  - Use browns/black, cream/white, to create a stage smokey eye as pictured.

- **FAQ #3: Can my dancer wear jewelry?**

- Only dance earrings allowed. No bracelets, rings, or necklaces please.

We do sell dance earrings for \$15 and bun builders for \$10 in the lobby for if interested.



## Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm – Recital Show #1 @ Mt. Zion High School Auditorium

- **FAQ #1: What time should my dancer arrive?**

- 30 minutes before show time – 12:00 p.m.
- Itty Bitty Dancers – 20 minutes before show time – 12:10 p.m.

- **FAQ #2: How long will the show last?**

- Approximately 2 hours with a 15-minute intermission.

- **FAQ #3: Where should my dancer go?**

- There will be BACKSTAGE signs and staff at a check-in table at the door in the lower part of the lobby. This is also when you will receive your 2 souvenir programs.

- **FAQ #4: Should my dancer be in their costume?**

- Yes, please have them completely ready to go when you drop them off.
- For those in multiple routines, use your student acts print out for show order.

- **FAQ #5: When can I go to my seat?**

- The seating will open 30 minutes prior to the start of the show.

- **FAQ #6: Where will my child be during the show?**
  - Dancers with multiple costume changes will be backstage assisted by staff.
  - Dancers with few or no costume changes will be watching the show in the balcony supervised by staff and volunteers.
- **FAQ #7: Can I go backstage with my dancer?**
  - No, only dancers are allowed backstage.
- **FAQ #8: Can I see my dancer during intermission?**
  - No
- **FAQ #9: Can I leave after my dancer's number?**
  - Please refrain from leaving in the middle of the show. It is polite to stay the entire performance to watch the dancers' hard work! They don't want to see empty seats 😞 You will miss awards & bows.
- **FAQ #10: Where & when do I pick up my dancer?**
  - Dancers will be dismissed from the front of the stage to present a flower to their mom. After, **ONE same-sex** parent may go to their dressing room / balcony to gather their things.

### Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm Recital Show #2 @ Mt. Zion Auditorium

- **FAQ #1: What time should my dancer arrive?**
  - 30 minutes before show time – 3:30 pm
- **FAQ #2: How long will the show last?**
  - Approximately 2.5 hours with a 15-minute intermission.

**Please also read FAQ #3-10 listed above for the 1st show.**

### Help! I am overwhelmed 😊

Thank you for making it this far and reading the entire packet. You will survive the craziness of recital and your dancer will make some of their favorite memories during it. Here are some resources:

- **Website** - <https://www.sullivan5678.com/recital>
- **CALL us** – 217-728-9111
- **TEXT us** – 217-909-9111
- **Facebook Page** - <https://www.facebook.com/Sullivan5678>
- **Facebook Group** - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Sullivan5678Family>
- **Email our Office Manager** – [admin@sullivan5678.com](mailto:admin@sullivan5678.com)
- **COME IN & SEE US**
  - Mondays 2:30-8:00 p.m.
  - Tuesdays 2:30-8:00 p.m.
  - Wednesdays 2:30-9:00 p.m.
  - Thursdays 2:30-9:00 p.m.
  - Fridays 2:30-5:30 p.m.

We will be using our texting number 217-909-9111 to send out helpful recital tips throughout the next few weeks. You can respond to those with questions you might have!

THANK YOU for trusting and choosing Sullivan Dance Studio for your dancer's experience. 😊

- Miss Melissa

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 jwagphoto.com  
 217-259-6133

Sullivan Dance Studio—Recital Photos  
 May 11th, 2024

Packages	
QTY	TOTAL
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<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Medium:</b> 1 8x10 Composite, (1) 5x7 individual 4 individual wallets & a 3" Button	\$40 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ultra:</b> 1 8x10 Composite 4 individual wallets, (2) 4x6 prints, (2) Buttons, (2) magnets	\$60 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Deluxe:</b> 1 8x10 Composite 8 individual wallets, (2) 5x7 prints, (2) Buttons, (2) magnets	\$70 _____
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<b><u>4x6 - \$7 each</u></b>	___ Individual ___ Team	_____
<b><u>5x7 - \$10 each</u></b>	___ Individual ___ Team	_____
<b><u>8x10 - \$16 each</u></b>	___ Individual ___ Team	_____
<b><u>Wallets (set of 4) - \$8 each</u></b>	___ Individual ___ Team	_____
<b><u>Magnets (3.5 x 5 inch) - \$9 each</u></b>	___ Individual ___ Team	_____
<b><u>Buttons (3 inch) - \$9 each</u></b>	___ Individual	_____
<b><u>Metal Photo Keychain—\$10 each</u></b>	___ Individual	_____
<b><u>8x10 Composite - \$18 each</u></b>	___ Individual with Group	_____
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___ <b><u>5 Digital Files —\$85</u></b>		_____
___ <b><u>10 Digital Files —\$100</u></b>		_____
<b>Notes to photographer:</b>		



8x10 Composite



Keychain

**Make payment with exact cash or check to:  
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**Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Parent's Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
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