

Winter Progress Performance Info Packet - Sunday, December 11, 2022

4 Shows: 1:15 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Lakota West Freshman Building, 5050 Tylersville Rd, West Chester, OH 45069

We are delighted to be able to present the annual **Winter Progress Performance (WPP) on Sunday, December 11, 2022**. Most of the instructional classes for students ages 4 and up will be performing in WPP 2022. The participating classes are primarily scheduled according to which day of the week they meet. See below for the full schedule of which classes will participate and what time their recital will be.

The WPP is the perfect opportunity for students to perform what they've learned early on in the academic year, providing an experience to be on stage with an audience, sharing learned choreography. It is a smaller scale performance than the big June recital for which students work and anticipate all year long. For the June recital, the dancers will be in full costume, with more skills and longer routines, and there will also be more technical production elements involved. Learning to perform on stage for an audience is a big part of dance training, and it helps build self-esteem and confidence. These experiences lay the ground work for many other life events that students will experience. It's a fun, valuable event for students and parents alike, especially at such a festive, exciting time of year! We look forward to being able to share this progress performance with you in person again!

Here is the Performance Schedule which lists the classes that perform in each show and gives the order of performance:

1:15 p.m. Show

1 Topaz Small Group	Wed Ms. Andrea
2 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Tue 5:15 pm Ms. Samantha
3 Ready Set Dance	Tue 4:30 pm Ms. Stacie
4 Beginning/Building Jazz	Tue 6:30 pm Ms. Allison
5 Tap I	Tue 6:30 pm Ms. Stacie
6 Ballet II A	Tue 6:30 pm Ms. Savannah
7 Kinder Jazz	Tue 7:15 pm Ms. Samantha
8 Beginning Ballet	Tue 5:45 pm Ms. Allison
9 Boys/Girls Beg Hip Hop	Tue 7:00 pm Ms. Jessica
10 Emerald Jazz Team	Mon Ms. Andrea
11 Kinder Ballet	Tue 6:30 pm Ms. Samantha
12 Beginning/Building Tap	Tue 5:15 pm Ms. Allison
13 Ballet I	Tue 7:45 pm Ms. Samantha
14 Hip Hop I	Tue 7:45 pm Ms. Jessica
15 Happy Tappers	Tue 6:00 pm Ms. Samantha
16 Building Ballet	Tue 5:45 pm Ms. Savannah
17 Jazz I	Tue 7:00 pm Ms. Stacie
18 Ballet III A	Tue 7:30 pm Ms. Savannah
19 Ballet IV	Thu Ms. Savannah

3:00 p.m. Show

1 Diamond Team	Mon Ms. Ariel
2 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Thu 9:45 am Ms. Savannah
3 Kinder Hop	Thu 4:45 pm Ms. Stacie
4 Happy Tappers	Fri 10:30 am Ms. Savannah
5 Beginning/Building Jazz	Thu 6:45 pm Ms. Mary
6 Boys/Girls Beg Hip Hop	Thu 7:15 pm Ms. Becky
7 Kinder Ballet	Thu 6:30 pm Ms. Becky
8 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Thu 5:15 pm Ms. Chase
9 Hip Hop I	Thu 5:15 pm Ms. Stacie
10 Lyrical II	Thu 8:00 pm Ms. Mary
11 Beginning Ballet	Thu 5:30 pm Ms. Samantha
12 Happy Tappers	Thu 10:30 am Ms. Savannah
13 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Fri 11:00 am Ms. Savannah
14 Building Ballet	Thu 7:15 pm Ms. Mary
15 Happy Tappers	Thu 6:00 pm Ms. Becky
16 Boys/Girls Bldg Hip Hop	Thu 8:00 pm Ms. Becky
17 Hip Hop II	Thu 6:45 pm Ms. Stacie
18 Beginning/Building Tap	Thu 6:15 pm Ms. Samantha
19 Ballet III B	Thu 4:45 pm Ms. Savannah
20 Topaz Small Group	Wed Ms. Andrea

4:45 p.m. Show

1 Diamond Team	Mon Ms. Ariel
2 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Wed 6:30 pm Ms. Allison
3 Kinder Ballet	Wed 5:15 pm Ms. Allison
4 Beginning/Building Tap	Wed 6:00 pm Ms. Stacie
5 Boys/Girls Bldg Hip Hop	Wed 8:00 pm Ms. Allison
6 Ballet I	Wed 7:45 pm Ms. Mary
7 Hip Hop I	Wed 7:45 pm Ms. Stacie
8 Building Ballet	Wed 5:15 pm Ms. Savannah
9 Beginning Ballet	Wed 6:30 pm Ms. Stacie
10 Amethyst Tap Team	Mon 6:30 pm Ms. Kayla
11 Happy Tappers	Wed 6:00 pm Ms. Allison
12 Beg/Bldg Jazz	Wed 4:45 pm Ms. Savannah
13 Beginning Ballet	Wed 7:00 pm Ms. Mary
14 Beg/Bldg Jazz	Wed 7:15 pm Ms. Stacie
15 Boys/Girls Beg Hip Hop	Wed 7:15 pm Ms. Allison
16 Ballet II B	Wed 6:00 pm Ms. Savannah
17 Beg Bollywood Dance	Fri 6:00 pm Ms. Tejal
18 Ballet IV	Thu Ms. Savannah

6:30 p.m. Show

1 Diamond Team	Mon Ms. Ariel
2 Ready Set Dance	Sat 9:30 am Ms. Mollie
3 Kinder Ballet	Sat 11:15 am Ms. Mollie
4 Beginning/Building Tap	Sat 12:30 pm Ms. Andrea
5 Tiny Tutus & Bowties	Sat 11:15 am Ms. Caitlyn
6 Lyrical I	Sat 1:45 pm Ms. Stacie
7 Jazz II	Sat 3:00 pm Ms. Stacie
8 Happy Tappers	Sat 10:45 am Ms. Mollie
9 Beginning Ballet	Sat 11:15 am Ms. Andrea
10 Building Ballet	Sat 11:15 am Ms. Savannah
11 Kinder Hop	Sat 10:45 am Ms. Caitlyn
12 Ballet I	Sat 12:00 pm Ms. Mollie
13 Tap II	Sat 2:30 pm Ms. Stacie
14 Kinder Ballet	Sat 10:00 am Ms. Mollie
15 Beg/Bldg Jazz	Sat 12:00 pm Ms. Caitlyn
16 Jazz I	Sat 1:00 pm Ms. Stacie
17 Ballet II B	Sat 12:00 pm Ms. Savannah
18 Bollywood Dance I	Fri 7:00 pm Ms. Tejal
19 Topaz Small Group	Wed Ms. Andrea

PART 1: IMPORTANT WPP DATES, as well as upcoming break weeks, Parent Observation Week, June costume billing dates, & June rehearsal/recital dates (See Dance Handbook for complete 2022-23 dance calendar.)

Date	Activity	Where
October 15	Billing for 1/2 Costume Fee June Recital	
October 23	Emails sent to each family <u>from WCA</u> with instructions and a link for ordering tickets online, also email sent to any family with students <i>in more than one show</i> <u>from Dance Recital Ticketing Company</u> with coupon codes.	Your email inbox. Please make sure we have your correct email address. Have you been receiving emails from us? That is how you will know!
October 30	WPP 2022 Ticket sales begin	Online (See ticket section below)
October 31-November 12	Students will be measured for JUNE RECITAL costumes. Though this seems early to be ordering costumes for June, it takes orders a long time to arrive. Don't worry, we allow for a little growth between now and then!	During regular class time. Please make every effort to be in attendance.
November 7-12	Parent Observation Week first 10 minutes of class. Receive WPP Costume Instruction Sheets. Parents take videos of WPP routine to practice at home.	During regular class time.
November 15	Billing for 1/2 Costume Fee June Recital	
November 19	Deadline to pre-order flowers for WPP	Online when you order your tickets, or call or text the front desk.
November 22-27	Academy CLOSED for Thanksgiving Break	
Sunday, December 11 Show #1 - 1:15 p.m. Show #2 - 3:00 p.m. Show #3 - 4:45 p.m. Show #4 - 6:30 p.m.	Winter Progress Performance See above Winter Progress Performance Schedule (also on website) to see which classes are in Shows #1, #2, #3, and #4.	Lakota West Freshman Building 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH
December 20-January 2	Academy CLOSED for Winter Break	
March 20-26	Academy CLOSED for Spring Break	
Friday, June 9: times TBA	Dress Rehearsal for June Recitals	Lakota West Freshman Building 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH
Saturday, June 10: times TBA	June Recitals, "Road Trip!"	Lakota West Freshman Building 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH

Home Practice: Students are encouraged to practice their choreography at home.

Attendance: *Please be diligent to attend every class between now and the WPP to be prepared and confident for the performance!*

PART 2: COSTUMES, TIGHTS, SHOES, HAIR, AND MAKE UP

Each student will receive a Costume Instruction Memo with class specific information about what to wear, how to style hair, and what makeup to apply. Students often wear their regular classroom attire plus some easily acquired accessories or garments that students can pull together to create a unique, uniform class costume. The academy may also provide some additional parts and pieces. *Any extra costume piece provided by the student is intended to be items that you may already have at home or that you can purchase inexpensively.*

Stage lights are very bright and can wash out facial features. In order to see every dancer's sparkling eyes and smile, girls wear light makeup for the WPP, and for the boys, a little blush works well. Uniform hairstyles are also required and will be listed on the custom instruction memo.

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PART 3: STUDENT DROP-OFF AND CHECK-IN PROCEDURE

Students should plan to arrive at the Lakota West Freshman Building 20 minutes prior to their performance start time. Parents should bring their students to the student drop-off table located down the main hall, where students will be checked in and placed under the supervision of their teachers and/or backstage helpers for the entirety of the performance. Parents will be given a slip which will be used at the same table to retrieve their students at the end of the show. All students must arrive in full costume, hair, and makeup. Please note that the ticket takers will be at the building entrance, so **parents will need to have their tickets with them to get in and drop off their student(s)**. No one will be admitted without a ticket besides the dancers who are performing in the show. **All students must stay until the end of the show they are in.** Make sure you have the proper dance shoes and changes of costume or accessories ready to put on once checked in, particularly if the student is in multiple dances. **Please label ALL costume pieces and shoes with the student's name.**

PART 4: BACK STAGE WAITING AREA

There is a designated waiting area backstage for dancers during the recital. There will be helpers to chaperone the young dancers back stage and help them with shoe/costume changes, getting on and off stage, etc. The helpers will have some quiet activities to entertain the students before and after they go on stage for their performances. For the safety of the children and to ensure minimal congestion, parents are not permitted back stage until pick up at the end of the recital.

PART 5: TICKETS

Everyone will need a ticket to see the performance except the helpers and the dancers. All tickets must be purchased online at <https://23407.recitalticketing.com/>. Ticket sales go directly to the cost of renting the venue, paying the maintenance, sound, lights, and other personnel that help run the show, etc. **All tickets are reserved seating.** Row A is on the ground floor. Each row after row A is a 6" step up for those who are concerned about steps.

Ticket prices are \$12.00 for age 10 and older, \$5.00 for ages 3-9, and free for age 2 and under, providing they will be sitting on an adult's lap and will not be occupying a seat of their own. Seats in the first 5 rows of the center section have a \$10.00 surcharge. Please note that the ticketing company will assess a nominal \$2.05 ticketing fee on each ticket.

Tickets may be purchased online through December 10, the day before the recital, or as long as they are available. If seats are not sold out, any remaining tickets will be available for purchase with cash only at the door.

How it works: On October 23, everyone will receive an email from WCA with instructions for ordering tickets and a link to the site. If you do not receive your email on October 23, please contact us, as we may have an incorrect email address for you.

Multiple Shows: Families with students or siblings in multiple shows will receive a separate email from Dance Recital Ticketing (orders@dancerecitalticketing.com) with a **Coupon Code for 50% off** up to 4 tickets total to be used in shows two, three, or four. This code is good for a ONE TIME USE ONLY. These codes are case-sensitive, so please enter them carefully. Be sure to choose all of your tickets first, then apply the Coupon Code. See Online Ticket Step-by-Step Instructions below.

Online Ticket Step-by-Step Instructions:

- 1 Click the link in the email you receive from Dance Recital Ticketing on October 23.
- 2 Select the Show Time from the pop up window. (See attached Recital Ticket Split Chart to know which show(s) your child is in.)
- 3 Select your tickets for the show times your dancers are in.
- 4 Click "Add seats for another show", if applicable.
- 5 Click on "Buy Selected Seats."
- 6 Click on "Change/Add Seats" if necessary.
- 7 From the drop down box, select "Adult" or "Child" for each ticket.
- 8 Click "Continue with Checkout."
- 9 Enter the 4-digit Coupon Code (case sensitive) in the first box on the checkout screen if your child/sibling is in multiple shows. This code is good for 50% off up to 4 tickets total for the second, third, and fourth shows your child is in.
- 10 Enter the remaining details to process your order.
- 11 Review information and edit if necessary.
- 12 Click "Accept these Terms" in red box.
- 13 Click "Continue to Confirmation Page." **ALL TICKETS WILL BE DIGITAL, with no tickets to print. Be sure to bring your mobile device to the WPP as there is no admission without a ticket.**

PART 6: RECITAL FLOWER BOUQUET

Parents often wish to present their dancer with flowers at the end of the show. For your convenience, we will be selling a flower bouquet by pre-order for \$15.00 for those who would like to just pick them up at the recital. Simply order a bouquet online when you purchase your tickets OR call or text 513-829-2345 to pre-order your flowers.

PART 7: THE RECITAL IS FOR EVERYONE!

When everyone puts the children first, the progress performance experience is one they'll never forget. We appreciate your compliance with the guidelines in this packet and hope that the West Chester Academy Winter Progress Performance will be as fun and exciting for you as it is for all of our staff. Thank you for working with us to create a memorable and educational experience through performance for all of our students. Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions. The more informed everyone is, the smoother the WPP will run!