

Dance Unlimited Families,

Recital month is here! We are so excited and can't wait for...*Up on the Roof Top*. Please thoroughly read the following information regarding our recital.

- **Dress Rehearsal Week:** December 17th-20th, 2018. Dancers will come to their normally scheduled class time during dress rehearsal week. We do our dress rehearsal for all classes the week of recital rather than on recital day.
 - You & your dancer **must** attend class during the mandatory dress rehearsal week regardless of age. If you miss dress rehearsal, you will **not** be able to perform in the actual recital.
 - 1. Dancers/Parents will check into Studio #4 upon arriving at the studio. Please arrive 5 minutes early so we can keep on schedule.
 - 2. Dancers/Parents will then move into Studio #3 by class and receive important information regarding the recital and our dancer check-in/check-out process.
 - 3. Dancers will then move to Studio #2 where they will perform their routine. The studio will be set up like the stage, so dancers can practice walking on/off and performing for an audience. Parents remain in the lobby and wait for their dancer to exit Studio #2 near the vending machine.
 - 4. After Dancers are done practicing in Studio #2, they may leave for the evening.
 - 5. Dress rehearsal is full hair/makeup, tights, shoes & costumes.
- **Recital Date:** Friday December 21st, 2018 Evening Show @ 7:00 pm & Saturday December 22nd, 2018 Morning Show @ 10:00 am, Matinee Show @ 1:00 pm
 - **Show Order:** Please see attached for the show order for each recital.
 - **Recital location:** Mountain View High School Auditorium, 2000 S Millennium Way Meridian, ID 83642
 - **Dancer check-in Policy**
 - Dancer check in will take place at Mt View HS. All dancers need to be checked in no later than 30 minutes prior to each show.
 - Friday December 21st
 - Evening show check in: 5:30pm-6:30pm
 - Saturday December 22nd
 - Morning show check in: 8:30am-9:30am
 - Afternoon show check in: 11:30am-12:30pm
 - When checking in you will receive 2 coordinating wrist bands, one for you and one for your dancer. These wristbands must be worn by both parent/dancer during the entire recital as part of our secure dancer check in process. If your dancer is in more than one show you will need to check them into each show at the designated check in time.
 - Once you show your wrist bands at our check in table you will take your dancer to the dancer waiting room where they will sit with their class and one of our DU crew members. You will then exit the backstage area and head to the main auditorium where you can take your seat for the show.
 - All dancers must be in the dancer waiting room with their wristbands on **30 minutes** prior to the start of each show. Please ensure your dancer has used the restroom prior to checking them into the dancer waiting room.
 - Once dancers are checked-in they will remain backstage for the **entire show**. Our DU crew will stay with each class and help them get onstage to perform and back on for the Grand Finale.
 - **Parents will pick up dancers after the show ends!** Please show your wrist band to enter our dancer waiting room. Only those with a wristband may enter our backstage dancer area. From there, you and your dancer will show matching wrist bands to our DU crew to check out of the dancer waiting room. **This policy is for all dancers regardless of age.** Please be patient during our check out process. We want to ensure dancers safety and security when leaving the recital.

- If your young dancer has a costume change during the show you must exit through the doors at the **back** of the auditorium. Exiting through the side doors will not be permitted during the show as it is extremely distracting to the dancers and other audience members. You will show your wrist band at the check-in table to get backstage to help them change. Once changed, please escort your dancer back to the dancer waiting room to sit with their class, and then return to your seat in the auditorium.
- **Open House** – Join us for games and a special guest at our family open house @ Mountain View HS. Our open house is
 - Friday December 21st from 5:45pm-6:30pm for our evening show
 - Saturday December 22nd from 8:45am-9:30am for the morning show
 - Saturday December 22nd from 11:45am-12:30pm for our matinee show
- **NEW Grand Finale** - Here is the link for the grand finale choreography for dancers to learn before the big day. Dancers can learn the simple choreography ahead of time if they choose or just follow along with our recital helpers at the event.
 - <https://youtu.be/DRYfnmRYhwE>
- **Dancer Pictures**-We encourage families to join us for our open house and take photos with Santa or at our *Up on the Roof Top* photo booth. We will offer recital photos at our spring show.
- **DVD's** - Enjoy your child's recital memories for years to come! Dance Unlimited Christmas recital 2018 will be professionally recorded and will include *ALL three* shows on one DVD or a Digital downloaded format! **You can buy your recital DVD by logging into your tuition account at www.danceunlimitedstudios.com.** Once logged in select "Purchase retail items" under the online store heading and then select RECITAL DVD or RECITAL DVD DOWNLOAD.
 - DVD's are \$30 and can be picked up at the studio approximately 3 weeks after the show.
 - Digital Downloads are \$25. You will receive a link via email approximately 3 weeks after the show.
 - Both items can also be purchased on the day of recital at our boutique in the lobby of the auditorium.
- **Recital tickets** – Recital tickets go on sale Friday December 14th @ 9am via **online**. Tickets sell very quickly so be sure to purchase your tickets early. Details regarding ticket sales will come in a separate email. All ticket sales are final and can only be purchased via our online ticketing page.
- **Shoes, Tights, Hair & Make-up** - Each class has a required style of shoe, color of tights and hairstyle. **We carry all of the required shoes and tights in our DU clothing boutique** (except tennis shoes for hip hop). We want our dancers to look unified onstage, so we request that dancers wear a specific color tights/shoes. Please stop by our boutique to pick up any shoes or tights that you might need for the big day. Please reference the attached document for your child's recital class requirements.
- **DU-Boutique:** We will have our store set up at recital for you and your family to stop by and grab some last-minute items, stocking stuffers & Christmas gifts! We will also carry extra tights.
- Absolutely NO FOOD or DRINK allowed backstage. Dancers will need to eat/drink prior to checking in.