Center Stage Dance

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Dear Parents,

I can't believe that 2021 has come to an end. We are excited to announce that we have secured a venue for a spring recital this year.

I know the timing of the announcement is coming at what feels like a really uncertain time but we are confident that we will be back in a more normal environment by June.

For all of our new families who have not participated in a Spring Recital this letter should help familiarize yourself to the recital process and important dates and information.

I know it seems early, but to get all of the costumes here in time for a June recital we need to order the costumes in January. Attached is the permission slip which will need to be filled out and returned as soon as possible as we have around 500 costumes to order. *You may also respond via the Parent Portal (explained later).

The Spring or Recital Session begins with classes on January 10th and culminates with the performance on June 5th. Enrollment will be closed for the session once costumes have been ordered. You will not be able to drop any classes after this point. Tuition will be due through June 5th for ALL classes. If you would like to add or drop any classes please contact us so that we can coordinate any changes.

Performing in the recital is <u>not a requirement</u>. We do, however, encourage your child to participate as we think it is a wonderful program that your entire family can enjoy. It can be a valuable learning and self-esteem-building experience for your child. For families in our three-year-old classes that <u>do not</u> perform in the recital we will have an in-class presentation at the dance studio during their last class in June.

The costumes prices are \$79.95 plus tax (\$87.54) for children's sizes and \$84.95 plus tax (\$93.02) for adult sizes. We will be measuring each student individually when classes resume in January to determine which costume size they will need.

We will deduct all costume payments directly from your account on the dates below. If we do not have your payment, we cannot order your child a costume. Payment in full is due on **January 17th**, **2022** for all participating students. For students performing in more than four numbers, you may pay the first half of the balance on **January 17th** and the remaining balance by **February 15th**, **2022**.

If you decide not to have your child participate in the recital they are still more than welcome to continue with the class until **May 7**th. If you later change your mind,

after the orders have been placed, an additional fee of \$25.00 may be added for postage & handling (if the costume is available to ship in time). These are fees that are charged by the manufacturer, not Center Stage Dance, since the costume will be shipped separately. All late additions will first need to be cleared by the Class Instructor.

The 2022 "Reunited" Recital will be held on **Sunday, June 5th, 2022** at **John Burroughs High School** in Burbank. Dress rehearsal will take place on the **Wednesday** and **Thursday, June 1st and 2nd 2022** at **John Burroughs High School**. Dress rehearsal is a **mandatory** rehearsal. If your child does not attend the dress rehearsal they will not be allowed to perform at the recital.

Tickets will go on sale at **9:00am on Sunday, May 22nd** and are only available through our website. Seating is **Reserved** and on a first come first serve basis. While the theater is large enough to accommodate everyone, tickets do go quickly so we recommend reserving your tickets as early as possible. **All tickets** need to be purchased.

NEW THIS YEAR.

To manage and minimize the number of students backstage and audience members, there will be 3 different shows. Most students will perform in only 1 show, however there may be a few students performing in two shows or siblings that are performing in different shows. We have made every effort to organize the recitals by age and level to avoid as many conflicts as possible. Please know that we have spent hours working out a schedule that not only has as few conflicts as possible but that also provides the safest, smallest shows for the performers and audience members. It is impossible to accommodate every situation, especially considering the additional safety measures in place for public events.

Given that current safety measures may change between now and the performance we may need to update our Recital safety measures as we get closer to the show. Currently, all performers and audience members will be required to show proof of vaccination or a negative COViD test results within 12 or 48 hours (depending on the type of test, PCR or Rapid-Antigen) from the Show date (in accordance with State and Local Health Requirements). It is also a requirement that audience members also wear an appropriate face mask during the entire performance. We have designed the shows to be shorter and with a smaller number of anticipated audience members for each show. Performers will be required to wear masks at all times while backstage. Our current hope is that we will be able to showcase the dancers unmasked on-stage. This will be addressed on a class-by-class basis at the individual level.

It is important that you let us know whether your child will or will not participate in the recital as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns about the performances, costume sizes, safety measures etc., please don't hesitate to ask. We aim to present your child in a supportive, safe atmosphere of excellence that you will remember always. We are certain this is your wish too and we look forward to working with you on this great event.

Please fill out the attached Permission Slip and return it by January 15th, 2022.

To Respond using the Online Parent Portal

- Log in to your Account
- Next to Your Child's Name select "View [CHILD's Name]"
- (it should highlight the Pencil, requesting additional Information)
- Click on the Pencil to Update your Child's Information
- Enter "Yes" or "No" to Participate in Recital
- Select Save at the Top of the Page

We strongly urge you to **add Dress Rehearsal** and **Recital** to your calendar **NOW**. In the past, families have discovered conflicts at the last minute and their children have been disappointed at the prospect of not performing a dance they spent months learning.

Important Dates:

January 15 th	Deadline to Add or Drop Classes for Recital
	Recital Permission Slip Due
January 17 th	Costume Payment Due
February 15 th	Costume Balance Due (for Families with 4 or more costumes)
May 22 nd	Tickets Go on Sale on our website (www.CenterStageDanceLA.com)
June 1st - June 2nd	Dress Rehearsal (Schedule will be Released by May 15th)
June 5 th	Recital Day

Sincerely,
Miss Amy and Staff

This permission slip must be returned by January 15th .
YES, will participate in the 2022 Recital "Reunited" (Print child's full name as it should appear in program)
NO, will not participate in the 2022 Recital
I understand that the Costume Payment will be automatically deducted from account on file on January 17 th , 2022 and that once the costumes are ordered, no returns or cancellations are permitted. The costume balance for more than four costumes will be charged on February 15 th , 2022.
Included is my payment of \$ Do not deduct from my account.
Parent's Signature: