

2016 COSTUME INSTRUCTIONS

The following is a list of everything you need to know to care for your costumes, provided they do not need alterations. Please check to make sure you have all the necessary items under the style of dance or dances they will be performing. You will need these items for Picture Weekend and Revue Day.

COSTUME CARE:

- **Please Hang Up your Costumes...**DO NOT leave costumes in the bags or packaging. They will most likely be wrinkled and smushed from packaging and transport so its important to hang them up. ***Suggestion for eliminating wrinkles: hang costume in the bathroom while you shower & the steam will help get the wrinkles out.***
- **Hanging Instructions:** Hang all costumes right side up; except for short tutu skirts...these will need to be hung upside down so they will stand up correctly when worn.
- **Please DO NOT let your children play in their costumes** until our recital is over. *FYI: Many dance costumes make great Halloween costumes so consider keeping them nice till October.*

UNDERWEAR/PANTIES:

NO UNDERWEAR/PANTIES ARE TO BE WORN UNDER DANCE STOCKINGS & COSTUMES – Due to the thick nature of a “DANCE STOCKING”, they are designed & made to replace underwear so you do not need to have the access layering.

The last thing you want is panties hanging out of your costume on stage.

(Diapers/pull-ups are acceptable if your child is not potty trained.)

MAKEUP:

We do recommend on all students wear at least light makeup for pictures. The revue book pictures are printed in black & white and you do not want them to appear washed out. The same for Recital Day...you do not want the lights on stage to wash out their pretty little faces so light makeup and some lip stock/gloss will just enhance their features under the lights.

HAIR:

Hair style for pictures is your choice, although we always recommend hair match the look of the costume (*For example..a bun for a ballet costume, curly ponytails for a cute tap/jazz costume.*) **You will receive a checklist for the Revue for a more specific hair requirement for each routine your child is in, but pictures is your choice.**

COMPETITION TEAM:

Please wear your normal stage makeup! Hair the same as you would wear for stage!