

2018 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 also check our **COSTUME REQUIREMENTS BY CLASS LIST** 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 or gently use a steamer if you have one. We do not want to ruin costumes.*
- **Hanging Instructions:** Hang all costumes right side up; unless instructed to hang upside down (usually for short tutu skirts only).
- **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 TIGHT”, 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 at least light makeup on all students 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 on little ones...you do not want the lights on stage to wash out their pretty little faces so use at least some light eye makeup and some lip stick to enhance their features under the lights. Older children should wear appropriate stage makeup. We can discuss in further detail at dress rehearsals.

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 or straightened 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 that you wear when competing!