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Dear Willow (WRC) dance parents:

Mark your calendars! Our Annual Dance Recital is quickly approaching and our dance instructors have been working very diligently preparing for this year's dance recital. First and foremost, the 2019 dance recital **"Magical World of Dance"** will be held on:

Saturday, May 25, 2019
Show time 15: 10:00am
Hoffman Estates High School - 1100 W. Higgins Rd.

1. **Dress Rehearsal:** The dress rehearsal will be held on:

Friday, May 24, 2019

4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

At

Hoffman Estates High School.

Full dress rehearsal runs by ages of classes, starting with Pre, Kinder, Elementary and so on.

We ask that all Pre and Kinder classes arrive at 4:00pm.

All remaining classes should arrive by 5:00pm.

Rehearsal runs pretty fast so please arrive on time. **Full dress rehearsal** means all costumes; shoes and accessories need to be brought with your dancer.

2. **Dance Recital Showtime: 10:00am**

Please arrive ½ hour before show time to drop off your child in the **cafeteria**. They should be completely dressed in costume, with hair and makeup done. **Please enter the building through the Auditorium/Main entrance to the school.** You will be directed to the cafeteria from there.

3. **Tickets:** Each dancer will receive **two complimentary** dance tickets for each class they are registered for to the recital. Parents will also have the opportunity to purchase additional tickets.

- **More details on ticket purchases will follow in April.**

4. **Dance Pictures:** Jessica Ditore Studios will be taking our dance recital pictures. Your child's dance instructor will give you a note with the time of pictures and what costume to wear. **Please be prompt as we have many groups to go through and late arrivals set us back.**

- **Monday, May 20th – All classes – from 3:30pm-9:00pm**
 - *Pictures location and schedule will be posted in May.*

If you plan to purchase dance pictures, be sure to have your order form filled out with payment the day of your child's scheduled picture day.

(Forms will be distributed to your child one week before picture day).

5. **Flowers:** Flowers will be on site the day of the dance recital. There will be a variety to choose from.
6. **Recital T-shirts:** The shirts, which are specific to your child's recital, will be available for presale beginning in April. Order sheets will be available soon. **Shirts will be \$10.00 each.**
7. **Videography:** Masterview Video Production will be on site videotaping our dance recital. They will have a monitor set up in the hallway for your viewing pleasure. DVDs will be available for purchase for \$29.95; *VHS are available by request only.* Taping will last the full length of the dance recital program. You are NOT obligated to purchase a video but the service is available if you should desire to do so. Order forms will be available in April for presale and will be available at all the recitals in May. All DVDs will be mailed directly to you 4-6 weeks after the recital.

**Please remember:
PERSONAL VIDEO CAMERAS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE AUDITORIUM!**

8. **Accommodations:** If you or one of your family members is in need of a special accommodation for the show, please contact Jody. Handicap accessible seating at Hoffman Estates High School is located upstairs in the back of the auditorium.
9. **Backstage Parents:** As always, we will be recruiting parents to help out with backstage duties on the day of the recital. Backstage parents duties include helping with costume changes and keeping children organized and entertained during down time. Parents are welcome to visit their child during intermission time. **Please look for the signup sheet outside the dance room starting in May.** If you are a backstage parent, you do not need to buy a ticket for the show.

Lastly, please note that on the day of the recital, doors will open approximately 20 minutes prior to the start of each show. This allows staff to set up, decorate and clean the auditorium.

Parents will not be able to get in early to save seats.

If you have any questions or for special accommodations, please feel free to contact Jody at 847-285-5432. I look forward to seeing you at the 2019 Dance Recital!

Sincerely,

Jody Dodson, Program Manager

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