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Dear Stars Dance Academy parents:

Our Annual Dance Recital is rapidly approaching, and our dance instructors have been working very diligently preparing for this year's dance recital. First and foremost, the 2024 dance recital "Y2K" will be held on:

**Saturday, May 18, 2024**  
**Show times: 9:30am & 1:30pm**  
**Hoffman Estates High School - 1100 W. Higgins Rd.**

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

**Friday, May 17, 2024**  
**4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
**At**  
**Hoffman Estates High School.**

Full dress rehearsal is scheduled by ages of classes, starting with level 1, level 2, level 3, etc.

Level 1 classes please arrive by 4:00pm.  
Level 2 classes please arrive by 4:30pm.  
Level 3 & 4/pointe classes arrive by 5:15pm.  
All company and elite tap dancers arrive by 6:15pm.

Rehearsal moves quickly so please arrive on time. **Full dress rehearsal** means all costumes, shoes and all accessories need to be with your dancer.

A final dress rehearsal schedule will be posted outside of the dance room by the end of April.

2. **Dance Recital Showtime:**

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.

**9:30am Performance – Thursday – Ballet/Jazz 3 & 4 – 6:00pm – Ms. Jessica**  
**Friday – Jazz/Hip Hop 3 – 5:45pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Friday – Ballet/Tap 4 - 7:15pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Tap 1 – 9:15pm – Ms. Victoria**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Tap 2 – 10:00am – Ms. Victoria**  
**Saturday – Jazz/Hip Hop 1 – 9:00am – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Jazz/Hip Hop 2 – 9:45am – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Jazz 1 – 12:15pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Jazz 2 – 1:00pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Tuesday – Elite Tap – 5:30pm – Ms. Wendy**  
**Company: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and Level 4**

*(Approximate running time of 2.25 – 2.5 hours)*

**1:30pm Performance – Monday – Ballet/Jazz 1 – 4:30pm – Ms. Victoria**  
**Monday – Ballet/ Jazz 2 – 5:15pm – Ms. Victoria**  
**Thursday – Ballet/Tap 1 – 4:30pm – Ms. Jessica**  
**Thursday – Ballet/Tap 2 – 5:15pm – Ms. Jessica**  
**Thursday – Pointe 1 – 7:30pm – Ms. Jessica**  
**Friday – Ballet/Tap 3 – 5:00pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Friday – Jazz/Hip Hop 4 – 6:30pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Friday – Tap 4 – 8:15pm – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Tap 2 – 10:30am – Ms. Olivia**  
**Saturday – Ballet/Tap 1 – 11:30am – Ms. Olivia**  
**Company: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4**

*(Approximate running time of 2.25 – 2.5 hours)*

**5:30pm Performance – All Stars Dance Company dances, Elite Tap and Pointe 1**

*(Approximate running time of 2 hours)*

3. **Tickets:** Tickets will be on sale starting in **mid-April through May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Each family will be able to purchase up to 5 tickets during this time for the performance their dancer is in. Starting May 6<sup>th</sup> all remaining tickets will be available for purchase on a first come first served basis. All tickets will be \$5. When tickets go on sale you will receive an email from Jessica Karbowski with all the details on how tickets can be purchased.
4. **Dance Pictures:** Jessica Ditore Studios will be taking our dance recital pictures. You will receive picture ordering information via email. Your child's teacher will let you know what costume, shoes and hair to wear for picture day. All pictures will be taken at the Triphahn Center. **Please be prompt as we have many groups to go through and late arrivals set us back.**
  - **Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 4:30-8:30pm and Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8:30pm**
    - *Pictures schedule will be posted outside of the dance room after Spring Break and emailed out to families.*
5. **Recital T-shirts:** Are available for purchase at the front desk at both the Triphahn Center and Willow Receptions Center. T-shirts will be on sale through the **end of day Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**. T-shirts are \$12 each. Family members may purchase shirts too, not just for the dancers. You will give your sizes when you pay for the shirts. Shirts will be distributed in class once they come in.
6. **Recital Video:** Dance recital will be recorded again this year by Streaming It Productions. The cost was included in registration. All parents will receive an email with the video links a few weeks after recital.
7. **Accommodations:** If you or one of your family members is in need of a special accommodation for the show, please contact Jessica Karbowski. Handicap accessible seating at Hoffman Estates High School is located upstairs in the back of the auditorium.
8. **Backstage Parents:** As always, we will need parents to help with backstage duties on the day of the recital. Backstage parent duties include helping with costume changes and keeping children organized and entertained during down time. **Please look for the sign up sheet outside the dance room to sign up.** If you are a backstage parent, you do not need to buy a ticket for the show you will get to watch your dancer from the audience.

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 in need of special accommodations, please feel free to contact Jessica at [jkarbowski@heparks.org](mailto:jkarbowski@heparks.org). I look forward to seeing you at the 2024 Dance Recital!

Sincerely,  
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