



Recital Frequently Asked Questions

1. Does my child have to perform at both shows?

Yes. We want to make sure every child's family gets the same experience at both shows. It is also a fantastic opportunity to celebrate your child's hard work!

2. Do I have to purchase tickets for both shows?

This is your choice. You will need a ticket for every show you want to go watch. Some parents choose to volunteer during one or more shows. Volunteers are allowed to watch their child's performance during the show. If you are not volunteering or have not purchased a ticket for the show.

3. How long is each performance?

Each performance runs between 2 to 2 1/2 hours long. Intermediate/Advanced level shows run roughly one hour.

4. If I don't go to all the performances, do I have to stay and wait for my child?

You do not have to stay and wait for your child on site. We have security and many volunteer parents who take care of your child backstage. You can drop them off at the auditorium lobby.

5. Can I take my child home during the show after they are done performing?

Since there is no intermission, each child is expected to stay for the full show. This allows our volunteers to keep accountability of all our dancers and reduces distraction for the audience and backstage operations.

6. If I buy my child a ticket, can they come in the audience after they are done performing and watch with me?

No, we do not allow our students to leave in the middle of the show. This makes it very difficult for our volunteers to keep accountability of all our dancers.

7. Can I leave my child at Appleton West High School between shows?

No. We ask that your child is picked up between each show to give our volunteers and staff a break between shows and time to set-up for the next show. There will be no supervision available for your child during this time.



8. Where should I pick-up my child after the show?

We have a process for child pick-up. Each child must be signed out by a parent or guardian following each performance. The pick-up location will be in the commons of Appleton West High School for all Beginner students, Intermediate and Advanced students will be dismissed into the auditorium lobby.

9. Can I go backstage and do my child's hair?

We only allow volunteers and staff backstage. This ensures safety for all of our dancers. If you would like to volunteer as a backstage parent, responsibilities include: taking care of a class while they are not on stage, helping them with costume changes, bathroom breaks, and making sure they get on and off stage together. We have plenty of volunteers to help with hair and costume changes if you are not able to volunteer during the show.

10. How should my child wear their hair for the recital?

Check with your child's instructor to see what hair is specified for their class. Unless otherwise specified, all Acrobatics classes will have two French braids.

11. Should my child wear makeup for the recital?

We do not require makeup for the recital. This is up to the parent/child to decide. Stage lights can create a washed out look on the stage. If your child does wear makeup, a little blush and some lipstick (stage makeup) will do just fine. We also ask that students wear no jewelry for performances.

12. Does my child have to wear their costume to rehearsal?

Yes. We do a full dress rehearsal so our students get used to performing in their costumes and practice changing their costumes when they are in multiple classes. There will be areas available backstage for students to change if they have multiple classes. A skin toned leotard is mandatory for all students in more than one dance. Please bring a towel for your child to sit on during rehearsal.