

ADW Dress Rehearsal Procedures

WHAT IS DRESS REHEARSAL?

The Dress Rehearsal will run like a real show, except that all dancers will sit in the Theater until their dance is called. This is the dancers' opportunity to watch the show. Dancers wear full costume, hair* and make-up.

*Hair - in a classical bun unless otherwise instructed by your teacher.

DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

There is no separate schedule for the Dress Rehearsal - we follow the regular show order that should have been emailed to you by the studio. Dates, times and location will also be sent out via email. If you have not received this information, please contact the office staff immediately.

ARRIVAL AT DRESS REHEARSAL

1. Arrive on time in costume with full hair and makeup (NO JEWELRY OR NAIL POLISH).
2. Drop off costumes you will need to change into at the **Regular Costume Change Area** or **Quick Change Area** (if costume tag has QC written on it, it is a Quick Change).
3. Proceed to the theater. **All dancers must be accompanied by a parent or someone who will be responsible for them.** Due to limited space, we ask that only one parent accompany each child.
4. Dancers watch this rehearsal from within the theater and are called out to line up with volunteer chaperones several dances before they perform on stage.
5. When your last dance has been rehearsed, pick up your costumes. You are then free to leave or stay and watch the rest of the Dress Rehearsal.

IN THE THEATER

The dancers will be allowed into the theater to watch the rehearsal until their group is called to line up. Due to limited seating, only one parent may accompany their child into the theater to watch. Parents will be responsible for their children for the duration of the rehearsal, excluding the times the chaperones take them backstage and to the Costume Change Area.

VOLUNTEERS/TEACHERS LEAD THE DANCERS BACKSTAGE

When a group is called to the stage, the dancers will proceed to the stairs beside the stage, on the left side. At this point, parents will leave their dancers with the volunteers/teachers. The volunteers/teachers will accompany the dancers backstage, to the Costume Change Area when necessary, and back to the theater when they are done so the dancers can meet up again with their parents. The dancers will come down the stairway on the right side of the stage - so please keep an eye out for them.

COSTUME CHANGE TIPS

- Layer your tights (for example, wear beige tights under pink tights), to save time changing.
- Make sure your name is written in all costume pieces and shoes.
- Carefully pack each costume bag with the appropriate shoes, tights and accessories.
- You will need to re-organize costumes after the rehearsal and put the correct costume in the according bag.