

LAKE DANCE STEPS
All Aboard the Holiday Express!
Winter Dance Recital 2025

Saturday, December 20th at 1 pm
Competition Dancer Solo Showcase 12:30 pm
Emmett Middle School Auditorium

The following information is important and contains details you will need to know about this year's recital. This info will also be posted on our website: www.lakedancesteps.com.

Rehearsal:

If your dancer's class is not listed, they do not have a rehearsal. Please be on time for the rehearsal so that we can stay on schedule. The rehearsal is at the Emmett Middle School. Your dancer does not need to be in costume. Please bring your child into the auditorium and wait for their class to be called. **Attendance at the recital and rehearsal is mandatory.**

Rehearsal Schedule:

Class	Time
Jazz/Hip-Hop 2	10 am
Ballet 1	10:15 am
Rhythm	10:30 am
Ballet 2, 3, 4, 5	10:45 am
Rise	11:30 am
Riot	11:45 am

Recital Performance Guidelines

I. Arrival and Seating Procedures

- **Arrival Time:** All dancers must arrive **20 minutes before** the start of the recital.
- **Door Opening:** The school doors will open for general admission at **12:15 PM**.
- **Seating Policy:** Seating in the auditorium is strictly on a **first-come, first-served basis**.
 - *Note: Lake Dance Steps reserves specific seating for designated volunteers only.*

II. Dancer Backstage Protocol

Backstage Check-in

- Dancers must be brought to the **Gymnasium** during the act in which they perform.
- They must remain backstage (in the Gymnasium) throughout their entire performing act.
- **Act 2 Dancers:** If your dancer performs in the second act, please keep them with you in the audience and bring them to the Gymnasium at **intermission**.

Dancer Organization (New This Season)

- **Designated Areas:** We will have specific, marked, and taped-off areas in the Gymnasium for each class. **Dancers must remain within their designated class area** to maintain organization and keep classes together.

Safety and Dismissal

- **Backstage Supervision:** Volunteers will be in the Gymnasium to assist with lining up dancers and moving dancers on and off stage.
- **Responsibility:** It is the parents' responsibility to ensure dancers are backstage and ready. Volunteers **will not** search for dancers (e.g., in bathrooms, hallways) who are not lined up when their number is called.
- **Gymnasium Doors:** Volunteers will monitor the Gymnasium doors; dancers will **not** be permitted to leave the backstage area unless accompanied by a parent/guardian.
- **Parental Presence:** If you are concerned about your dancer's comfort backstage, you or a designated adult are welcome to wait with them.
- **Restrooms:** Please take your dancer to the restroom **before** bringing them backstage or before the show begins.

Costume Changes and Finale

- **Costume Changes:** Parents are required to assist dancers with all costume changes in the **Locker Room**.
- **Finale Bow:** Dancers should report backstage for the **FINALE BOW** exactly **three numbers before** the end of the program.
- **Claiming Dancers:** For safety reasons, dancers will **not** be dismissed from the stage. You must claim your dancer **backstage in the Gymnasium** after the final bow.

III. Audience Etiquette

- **Distractions:** Please remain seated throughout the program. Audience members moving up and down are highly distracting to both the dancers and other patrons.
- **Electronic Devices:** Please ensure all cell phones and other electronic devices are **turned off** or set to silent mode.
- **Photography/Videography:** Photos and videos should only be taken from the **sides of the auditorium**.
- **Noise and Children:** Please maintain a low noise level. Ensure children are seated and quiet. **Do not permit children to dance in front of the stage** as this is a significant distraction to the performers.
- **Stage Access:** Do not use the side stage stairs during the program.

IV. Post-Recital Photo Opportunity

- The stage curtain will be **reopened after the final bow**.
 - Parents are welcome to take photos with their dancers utilizing our backdrop and stage props.
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V. Costume and Grooming Requirements

ALL DANCERS:

- **Jewelry:** No jewelry or watches are permitted, with the exception of small stud earrings.
- **Accessories:** Only use the hair accessories provided with the costume. Please make sure they are SECURE.
- **Gum: NO GUM** is permitted.

Style	Hair Requirements	Garment/Footwear	Notes
Ballet	Secure bun; bangs secured (if possible).	Costume on; Light Pink (or Nude for Ballet 2+) full-footed tights; Pink ballet shoes.	No underwear or visible bra straps.
Jazz/Hip-Hop	Hair pulled back out of face (ponytail or braid).	Costume on; Black jazz shoes; Nude tights are optional ; No socks.	No underwear or visible bra straps.
All Styles	Performance Make-Up Required: (mascara, blush, lipstick, eyeshadow, etc.)		

-Support our Studio and Competition Dancers and purchase a Rose for your dancer and Bake Sale Items at the recital!

-Show up early and watch our competition dancers showcase their solos: 12:30 pm.

-No Dance Monday, Dec 22nd-Jan 2nd. Classes resume Monday, Jan 5th. Happy Holidays!