

Dear Parents:

Our new show, *Sweets for the Sweet!* approaches! Here is how things will work on performance weekend to ensure a safe and smooth-running production.

1) **ALL** students attend the **Saturday, May 19th** run-through rehearsal at **St. John's School 1:30-3:30 p.m.** This is the only time we do the entire show together before dress rehearsal! **EVERYONE** attends this rehearsal!

Additional Saturday morning rehearsals at St. John's include:

10 a.m. Peek-a-boo (Sat 9:30 am Lambert Hall class) Photo after rehearsal.

10:30 Lambs (Wednesday 6 pm Grace United with Miss Rebecca) Photo after rehearsal.

11 am Cupcakes (Tuesday 4 pm Lambert Hall with Ms. Claire) Photo after rehearsal.

11:15 a.m. . Powder Puffs (photo only) (Wed 4:45 Grace United with Ms. Claire)

11:30 Whispers photo only (Wednesday 6 pm with Ms. Claire) 12 p.m. Pierrot (Tuesday 4 pm Lambert Hall with Ms. Claire)

Noon Masked Ball photo only (Thursday 5 pm LH with Ms. Claire and Miss Lauren)

These classes will have their class and individual costume and makeup photos taken Saturday morning.

2) Free tickets are picked up at this rehearsal. DVDs may be ordered at this rehearsal. DVDs are mailed to your house. If you ordered a bouquet, they are picked up at the box office before the show.

2) **Sunday, May 20 9:30 a.m.** Parents drop children off at St. John's School, Buffalo Speedway @ Westheimer. The theatre is on the **SOUTHEAST** corner..

3) **Do not wash your child's hair the day before or the day of the performance!!!** Slightly dirty hair "stays put" better and is easier to style. **ALL performers should come with their hair pinned flat as per the attached instruction sheet..** We will have bobby pins and hair spray on hand for "repairs." We will help girls with short hair.

4) **No colored nail polish on fingers!** Clear is OK.

5) **NO MAKEUP!** This show has special makeup, which we will supply.

6) **Please be sure to bring a sack lunch.**

7) There will be a certain amount of "down time." We encourage you to include a book, quiet game, or coloring pages in your child's bag. We will provide crayons and paper.

8) Your child will be assigned a "room mama" who will be responsible for helping the children change costumes and watching over the children when they are not on stage.

9) All female dancers bring their leotard, tights for Levels 1, 2, and 3, and their own ballet slippers. (Bare legs for preballet and primary - lavender and mulberry leotards.) Tap shoes for the tap class; jazz shoes for the modern class.

Put your child's name inside shoes. Children should wear a comfortable, front-button outfit for eating lunch.

10) Due to fire regulations and the limitations of space, only staff members and production helpers will be allowed in the dressing rooms or in the theater prior to, during or between dress rehearsal &/or performance. **You must have a backstage pass to be allowed in these areas.**

11) In case of emergency, we have a **special recital cell phone.** This phone number is **ONLY** for May 19th and 20th. We cannot answer the phone during the performance. **The number is: 832-468-1158..**

12) Box office opens one hour before curtain. Doors open one half hour before curtain. There is wheelchair access.

13) No photography during the show. We will have a professional photographer taking pictures before and during the performance. You will have the opportunity to buy these photographs.

14) *NO child performer is allowed to leave the building until after the performance has concluded.*

15) Most costumes and props will go home with the dancer. Exceptions are CSD leggings and leotard loaned to modern and tap classes. After the performance, when dressing rooms have been tidied, children will be brought to the stage door where they will receive a performance gift and be released to parents .

*I want to thank each and every one of you for your contribution to **Sweets 2018**. I truly appreciate your efforts in making this production possible – from ensuring your child makes her rehearsals to setting aside an entire day for our dress rehearsal and performance. We hope you enjoy the production as much as the children and teachers do!*