

Black N White Ball

Parents' Info Sheet

- *Black n White Ball* will be performed **2:00 p.m., Sunday, May 19th.**
- The performance of the 2024 *Black n White Ball* will take place **St. John's School Theatre, Buffalo Speedway at Westheimer.**
- All students enrolled at the Claire School of Dance at the preballet level or higher are given roles to perform in the annual recital.
- Participation is on an "opt out" basis. Parents must notify the office via email or written communication **by February 3rd** if they do not wish their child to participate. Failure to notify the office that a child is "opting out" may result in the assessment of the performance fee.
- There will be a **\$200 performance fee** for each performer. (\$250, if student does a second dance.) This helps cover the cost of costumes and other performance expenses. Each child receives two free tickets as part of her performance fee.
- No child will be denied the opportunity to perform due to lack of funds. A scholarship fund is available to help cover the cost of the performance fee.
- Scholarship requests should be made by **February 3rd.**
- Payment of the performance fee is due by **February 3rd.**
- Selected costumes remain the property of the Claire School of Dance. Most costume items and props will be sent home with performers.
- In order to respect the time of parents, most rehearsals will take place during regular class times.
- We are extending the school year for those taking part in the recital. For those students, the last class is **May 18th.** **There is no charge for the extra classes.**
- There will be one general *run-through rehearsal Saturday the 18th*, the day before the performance. **This run-through will take place at our Grace United studio. ALL performers MUST be present at this rehearsal as it will be the only time all performers rehearse together.**
- The general run-through rehearsal will take place **1:00 to 2:15 p.m.**
- Each family receives 2 adult tickets. Additional tickets are \$10 for children and \$15 for adults. Tickets go on sale May 4th.
- DVDs are \$30. Orders must be placed by **May 24th.**
- Parents leave their children at the theatre **9:30 a.m. Sunday morning**, with a bag lunch.
- All children will be under adult supervision at all times. Children are welcome to bring books and crayons.
- We will be posting requests for volunteer moms and dads to help backstage or as ticket takers.
- The performance starts at **2:00 p.m.** and lasts about **one hour.**

We ask parents to make the recital commitment carefully. There are NO recital fee refunds and any changes to the number of dancers performing is EXTREMELY disruptive to the children performing and to the quality of the performance. Thank you for your consideration.

We look forward to a wonderful *Black n White Ball*!!