

## Recital FAQ'S

### Q: Where is Recital?

Samuel Clemens High School, 1001 Elbel Rd, Schertz 78154

### Q: What time does my child need to be there?

Dancers need to be checked in 30-45 minutes prior to their showtime. **Do not come earlier than this as we will be unable to receive you and it creates extra traffic with multiple shows being performed, it's appreciated!**

### Q: What show is my child performing?

The schedule for performers is available in the Parent Portal - Click on INFO and then BULLETIN BOARD and also on our website recital page. If you are in multiple classes, be sure to check the schedule for which dance will be performed at which time.

### Q: Do I have to buy tickets? How does seating work?

You will receive 5 Admission Tickets (+2 per sibling dancer) per show you are participating in. These wristband tickets will be handed out the week BEFORE dress rehearsal, along with your program. If you need more tickets, you can purchase more on our website recital page in the beginning of December. You can purchase as many additional seats as you need, but there will be a limit each show, so we recommend purchasing any extra tickets needed asap. The seating is General Admission and will open 30-45 minutes prior to show time and seating is first come first sit. If you are attending multiple shows, you will need to leave the auditorium with all your belongings and re-enter with your new showtime tickets.

### Q: Is the recital professionally recorded?

Your recital fee includes a digital download of the recital. You can share this video and download it to your devices, free of charge. You will receive a link via email once the download is ready within a few weeks after recital.

### Q: What's the proper recital etiquette? What should I wear? Do I bring flowers?

Recital is the culmination of lots of hard work by dancers and staff. When attending a recital, business casual or dressy casual is always appropriate. During performances, please remain in your seats. If you must exit, please do so in between dances. No flash photography during recital. Sit back, relax, be in the moment and enjoy watching your child with your eyes, not your phone. It is customary to have a gift for performers, be it flowers or another token of love for their hard work. MLSD is selling Nutcracker Bouquets and tons of themed merchandise this year at recital. Pre-ordered Nutcracker Bouquet can be picked up at our merch booth. Pre-orders will open in the beginning of December and you will be notified by email. If you do not pre-order, a limited amount will be available for purchase at recital. Stop by the merch booth to check out all the fun mementos we've created!

### Q: Can I come backstage?

No. Our staff, staff assistants and backstage volunteers will manage the backstage area so you can sit back and enjoy the show!

**Q: What if my child is in multiple shows?**

Our backstage managers will be there to assist, so don't worry! After each show there will be a small break. We encourage you to eat a good lunch and hydrate well! Parents must be responsible for students in between shows. They will check in again backstage 30-45 minutes before their next show.

**Q: After recital, is there class?**

No, our last day is recital day! We will be closed until classes resume on January 13. Your dancer will continue in the same class when we come back from break. If you need to drop a class or make any changes, you must let the front desk know.

**Q: How long is the recital? Is there an intermission?**

Recital will be about 1 hour long. No intermission needed.

**Q: How is my child's hair and makeup supposed to be?**

Hair and makeup is posted in the Parent Portal. Just click the Costume tab and all the information for your class is there.

**Q: Do I just drop my child off?**

Yes! You'll check in with our staff and students will be lined up by class for their performance. Each class will have a volunteer assigned to them, as well as room attendants and our staff. Should we need you, we have a list of all parents' names and cell numbers.

**Q: Will my child remain backstage during the show or will they come sit with me?**

Dancers will remain backstage until the production is over and take their final bows. They will then be dismissed directly from the stage. ONE person who has the dancer pick up tag will come to pick up. Dancers will give back their lanyards once their adult with a tag has picked them up. **If you must leave before the performance is over, you must let our front desk know IN ADVANCE so we can alert our volunteers.**

**Q: Where do I keep other costumes if my child is in multiple dances?**

There are dressing rooms for dancers to hang items. Please be sure to label each costume and all accessories. Our dressers will be backstage to help make them show ready and fabulous!

**Q: Do I need to help my child change costumes?**

No. Our goal is to create confident, independent dancers. We have private dressing rooms and volunteer "dressers" who will make sure their costumes are good to go!

**Q: Where can my child eat if they are in multiple performances?**

The only thing that your dancer can bring backstage is water, unless they are in multiple shows, they may bring snacks in a bag. No food or drinks inside the auditorium. There will be no concessions, so if you need food/drinks for your dancer (if they are there all day), please bring a cooler to keep in your car with snacks and drinks.