

Dear Parents:

We are getting very excited about our spring performance at Wethersfield High School on Memorial Day weekend. Below you will find some important recital information.

Costumes – Beginning Monday, May 1st thru Saturday, May 6th, recital **costumes** that were ordered by the school will be handed out in class. We are asking a mom or female guardian to be available for the last 15 minutes of class. If a costume/accessory was ordered online by you, your child should bring it to class that week to try on for our teachers (including all pieces). Older dancers are reminded to wear their flesh-colored leotard (that they will be wearing under costumes at the recital) to class on these days to make changing easier.

Backstage Moms – We are looking for **backstage moms** for all classes. Backstage moms stay with the class for the entire performance and help to line them up for their dance. These moms do not need a ticket for the show as they will not be allowed in the audience, but are able to watch the dance from side stage. If you are interested in helping with your child's class, please email Ellen at business@griffithacademy.com as soon as possible.

Tickets – Recital **tickets** will go on sale beginning Sunday, May 7th at the Griffith Academy Studio in Wethersfield. Your family's allotment of tickets will remain available for purchase thru Saturday, May 13th. Your allotment is 5 (five) for each show your family has a child performing in. The cost of the tickets is \$20 each. **Cash or check only**. Any allotted tickets not purchased during the week of May 7-13 will be available for sale beginning May 20th.

Rehearsal Week Schedule – The last day of regular classes is Sunday, May 21. Dress **rehearsal week schedule** (May 22 thru 25) is posted on the school website in the Documents section (www.griffithacademy.com) entitled "Rehearsal Week Schedule". Please note this day/time may differ from your child's regularly scheduled class. This rehearsal is the only dress rehearsal – please be sure your child attends. Backstage moms should also plan on attending this rehearsal.

On-Stage Rehearsal – Our one **mandatory on-stage rehearsal** for both performances is on Friday, May 26th at Wethersfield High School. This schedule is available on our website in the Documents section entitled "On-Stage Rehearsal Schedule". Backstage Moms are asked to help with the rehearsal of your class.

Trophies – Trophy awardees receiving **5, 10 or 15 year trophy** are asked to attend two rehearsals (Saturday, May 13th from 5:30-6:00 p.m. and also Thursday, May 25th from 7:30-8:00 p.m.). These are not dress rehearsals. Reminder that girls should wear a party dress and white gloves when receiving their trophy on stage at the recital. Boys should wear dress slacks, dress shirt and a tie to receive a trophy on stage.

DVD/Zip Drive – Both the Saturday (May 27) and Sunday (May 28) performance at Wethersfield High School will be professionally **videotaped**. Order forms will be available the week of May 1st. The DVD is purchased separately from tickets as all money goes directly to the video company. Please plan accordingly.

Thank you for your attention to these details and we are looking forward to a wonderful show!

Miss Mary Beth and the Griffith Academy Staff