



RECITAL PACKET #1

Please be sure to read this entire packet

We are so excited to be in preparation for our **38th Annual Recital: Rewind The Decade!** The annual recital is a chance for dancers to perform on stage for their family and friends and demonstrate what they have been learning throughout the year. We encourage all dancers to participate but participation is not mandatory. Dancers will learn a routine during their class time beginning in February and will practice each week leading up to the recital in June.

Over the next few months, we will be sending more detailed information regarding all things recital including: daddy/daughter dance, ticket sales, dress rehearsal and performance day.

Upcoming Recital Packets will be sent via EMAIL ONLY as well as being posted in the RECITAL section of our website www.movesdance.com.

There will be three more Recital Packets sent with more detailed information.

Please notify the desk staff if you are not receiving recital packets via email ASAP to provide an updated email address on file

SHOW ASSIGNMENTS

All classes have recital dances with the exception of Company Ballet & MDC Tech.
Shows are expected to run around 2 ½ - 3 hours in length.

MONDAY JUNE 9TH-NORTH AURORA DRESS REHEARSAL (AM) / NORTH AURORA SHOW #1 (PM)

- Dress rehearsal schedule will be sent out in the third recital packet with specific times for North Aurora dancers
- Dress rehearsal is mandatory for ALL North Aurora dancers on Monday morning/afternoon June 9th
- North Aurora Recital will be Monday evening June 9th
- *ALL NORTH AURORA DANCERS ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE JUNE 9TH RECITAL*
- MDC, MPT & CREW WILL REHEARSE ALL THEIR PIECES DURING THE NA DRESS REHEARSAL

TUESDAY JUNE 10TH-WHEATON DRESS REHEARSAL (AM) / WHEATON SHOW #2 (PM)

- Dress rehearsal schedule will be sent out in the third recital packet with specific times for Wheaton dancers
- Dress rehearsal is mandatory for ALL Wheaton dancers on Tuesday morning June 10th
- Wheaton Recital will be on Tuesday evening June 10th
- *ALL WHEATON DANCERS ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE JUNE 10TH RECITAL*

RECITAL LOCATION 2025

OSWEGO EAST HIGH SCHOOL

1525 Harvey Road
OSWEGO, IL

Monday June 9th: North Aurora Dress Rehearsal / North Aurora Recital
Tuesday June 10th: Wheaton Dress Rehearsal / Wheaton Recital

Ticketing information will be released at a later date.

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

One of our Recital & audience favorites...Moves Daddy Daughter Dance! Grab Dad, Step-dad, Brother or Grandpa to dance with your dancer in the recital. They will learn a choreographed routine in just 2 rehearsals and perform in the recital! This is such a fun, memorable, experience and is sure to bring a smile...and a few laughs, to your friends and family! NO PRIOR DANCE EXPERIENCE NEEDED!! We promise you...ANY dad can do this dance!!

This is available for both North Aurora and Wheaton student families, and there are separate rehearsals at each location listed below:

SATURDAY, MAY 17th (North Aurora: 10:00 - 11:30 / Wheaton 1:00 - 3:00)

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SATURDAY MAY 31st (North Aurora: 10:00 - 11:30 / Wheaton 1:00 - 3:00)

There is a \$70 fee/family (if dad has 3 daughters you still only pay \$70).

This fee includes: Rehearsal time and for Dad's custom T-shirt to wear for that performance.

**Dads wear: Custom Moves dad tee, shorts and any sneakers. Daughters wear their recital costume. Sign-up is required to participate and is open for registration. LINK PROVIDED IN EMAIL FOR SIGN UP.*

DRESS REHEARSAL / RECITAL

MONDAY JUNE 9TH- MORNING/AFTERNOON DRESS REHEARSAL (NORTH AURORA ONLY):

Dress Rehearsal for ALL **North Aurora** Dancers

**Dress Rehearsal order will be released in the third recital packet with specific times*

MDC, MPT & Crew will rehearse ALL their pieces at this dress rehearsal.

MONDAY JUNE 9TH- EVENING: North Aurora Recital #1 6:00 P.M.

Recital for ALL North Aurora Classes & select MDC, MPT & Crew pieces

TUESDAY JUNE 10TH - MORNING/AFTERNOON DRESS REHEARSAL (WHEATON ONLY):

Dress Rehearsal for ALL **Wheaton** Dancers

**Dress Rehearsal order will be released in the third recital packet with specific times*

TUESDAY JUNE 10TH- EVENING: Wheaton Recital #2 6:00 P.M.

Recital for ALL Wheaton Classes & select MDC, MPT & Crew pieces

COSTUME MEASURING

Students will be measured for costumes the week of January 13 - 18 during their class(es). Please make sure your dancer wears **FORM FITTING CLOTHING TO CLASS** during measuring week.

We will measure any students that are absent during measuring week the following week.

We will again be using sizing leotards from the costume vendors that align with their costume sizes. This is the best way to ensure accurate costume sizes. Students will try on leotards to determine the best costume size. The sizing leotards are NOT their costumes or what they will look like.

We will also be sizing them for their recital finale t-shirts as well.

**If your child is in more than one class they may need to try on different leotards if their class costumes are from different costume vendors.*

Moves Management, who have years of experience sizing dancers, will select the appropriate sizes for your child.

No exchanges or returns for sizing will be permitted for costumes or t-shirts.

COSTUME MEASURING - CONTINUED

BOYS: Male students will be measured with a measuring tape. We will determine the best size for them based on their measurements and the costume companies sizing charts.

We understand children may grow between the time costumes are ordered and the recital in June. We do keep this in mind when selecting their costume size.

Costumes are not custom sewn to each child's exact measurements, however, the leotard sizing kits coincide with the costume vendor's sizes to ensure a close to perfect size for your child's costume(s). Our staff is very experienced and familiar with the costume vendors we use and selecting your dancers best costume sizes!

*Costume alterations are your responsibility when applicable.

** Altering costumes in any way other than to ensure a perfect fit is NOT permitted. ie: removing pieces or accessories, etc.

Moves will provide each dancer's costume with a logo'd garment bag, tights needed, and all costume pieces.
Moves does NOT supply your dancers required shoes.

The costume book is available at the front desk and under our recital tab on our website for dancers and parents to view. This will also include what shoes your dancer will need for recital and how costume accessories are to be worn. Please remember costumes are subject to change until they are ordered.

COSTUME INVOICES AND PAYMENT (PLEASE READ)

While it may seem early to begin ordering costumes, if costumes are not ordered by the end of January we are not guaranteed to have the costumes in hand by our scheduled date due to the length of time it takes the costume companies to manufacture and distribute the costumes.

This year, costume invoices will be emailed to the primary email address that is on file on your account. Invoices are being emailed this week. For questions regarding your invoice, please stop by the front desk or email us at info@movesdance.com.

Please be sure to check your invoice to ensure that your child's class(es) is/are listed correctly.

**COSTUME FEES ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 31ST VIA CASH OR CHECK.
Payments should be returned with the statement to the Moves Front Desk.**

*If you would like your costume to be paid with a credit card
you may do so with an additional \$10 processing fee.*

If you log in to your parent portal and pay your costume fee using your card on file without notification, we will add and process the \$10 processing fee associated for using this form of payment.

COSTUME PAYMENTS NOT RECEIVED BY JANUARY 31ST WILL RECEIVE A \$20 LATE FEE (per account, not per costume). ANY UNPAID COSTUME FEES NOT RECEIVED BY JANUARY 31ST WILL BE PROCESSED TO YOUR CARD ON FILE WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$10 PROCESSING FEE
REFUNDS AND CREDITS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED FOR ANY REASON.

The price of your dancer's costume will include their costume, tights (if required), any accessories that come with the costume, the ponytail cuff for recital hair and a Moves Dance Studio logo'd garment bag. It is your responsibility to ensure your dancer has the correct style/color of shoes for their dance pieces (i.e. pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes, sneakers, etc.)

You will also be charged:

\$30 for your dancers recital t-shirt and \$20/family digital download fee.

These fees cannot be removed.

All dancers must purchase a Recital tee & the digital download that will include both recitals.

If you would like to order any additional recital t-shirts (mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, siblings, etc.) please click on the link provided in the email. **DO NOT** order your registered dancer a shirt via that link. Moves will be ordering all the registered dancers t-shirts with costumes.

Costumes are NOT returnable or refundable. In the event the costume is defective (missing pieces, strap not sewn on, broken zipper, etc.) the costume will be exchanged. Please note that we cannot control how quickly the costume company will exchange and ship a new costume.

Costume distribution information will be sent out at a later date.

Costume exchanges will only be done at the discretion of Moves Management.

What do I do if my dancer does NOT want to participate in the recital?

If your dancer will NOT be participating in the recital, you must complete the OPT-OUT RECITAL FORM by clicking on the link provided within the email. If you do not complete the form prior to January 31st, 2025, we will assume your child is participating in the recital and your card on file will be charged for any and all recital related fees and refunds will not be able to be provided.

CARING FOR YOUR COSTUME

Costumes & Recital T-Shirts will arrive and be distributed in a Moves logo'd garment bag. If your dancer is in more than one class, be sure to check all garment bags as the recital tee will only be in one of them!

Please be sure to keep your costume in a safe place away from pets and young children. We cannot replace damaged costumes! Please do not wear your costume until dress rehearsal.

Costumes with a tutu should be hung upside down (hang from the bottom of the leotard), this will give the tutu a little extra fluff!

FINALE DANCE

All students are encouraged to participate in our finale dance at the conclusion of each show. All Students will learn the finale dance routine during their class time over the last few weeks leading up to the recital.

The Recital Finale T-shirt fee that each student purchases is the "costume" for the finale dance. Purchasing a t-shirt is MANDATORY for all students participating in the recital to ensure all students have the costume for the finale dance. All students learn the finale dance during their normal class time.

Finale Dance Costume: All Dancers are required to wear the recital finale t-shirt, girls wear plain black leggings, boys wear any black pants, along with any dance shoes: ballet shoes, jazz shoes, turners or sneakers.
No Tap shoes allowed.

OPENING NUMBER - NEW THIS YEAR!

All level II, III & IV dancers will be learning an exciting opening number for recital. All level II, III and IV dancers will be taught choreography during their normal class times around January or February. Participating dancers will be required to wear a previous recital T-shirt of choice or if this is their first recital at Moves they can wear this years recital tee with any black fitted dance shorts. Formation blocking will take place at dress rehearsal and all level II, III & IV dancers will be required to attend that scheduled block of time during dress rehearsal.

GRADUATING SENIORS

If you have a dancer that is graduating high school this year please fill out the google form included in the email so we can gather some information from you in order to honor them in our recital!