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Dear Parents and Students:

The Mandeville School of Music & Dance Spring Recital will be held **Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 6:00 PM**. The Recital will be held at **Fuhrmann Auditorium – 317 N. Jefferson St., Covington**. **All students should arrive at the following times below for pre-show rehearsals. Please ensure students arrive 15 minutes before their rehearsal time slot.** This will minimize their time waiting and allow the instructors to run through each piece quickly and efficiently. Students in the later time slot should remain with the faculty/staff in Fuhrmann Auditorium until the performance. Adult students, or those with a parent/guardian waiting, may take a brief leave. If you are taking a brief leave, make sure to check out with one of our staff members first. **All performers must be back in Fuhrmann Auditorium for 5:00 PM.**

PRE-SHOW REHEARSAL SCHEDULE - (rehearsals are closed to parents with the exception of students under the age of 6):

1:30-3:30 PM – Contemporary/Modern, Hip Hop III, Jeremy Hebert, Adult Ballet, Ballet II, Hip Hop/Jazz II (**Dancers attending the first rehearsal should arrive in regular dance clothes and then change into their costumes backstage after their rehearsal**)

3:30-5:00 PM – Ballet I, Musical Theater, Hip Hop/Jazz I, Pre-Ballet, Parent & Tot

5:00-5:30 PM – **All dancers on stage for final warm up, prayer, and announcements**

Students should arrive ready to perform with makeup and hair done. If arriving in costume (3:30-5:30 rehearsal participants), make sure to wear a cover up over your costume until you enter the performance space. **No dance shoes should be worn outside!** If students are planning to go out to eat before or after their rehearsal or performance, make sure they DO NOT eat or drink anything besides water in their costumes. Dressing rooms are available to students who may need to change at the performance hall.

Parents should plan on dropping students off at Fuhrmann Auditorium during the above rehearsal times. **Doors open for general admission at 5:30 PM with the Recital beginning promptly at 6:00 PM.** All Parent & Tot and Pre-Ballet students will be escorted to the side stage door following their performances where parents can meet them and take them back to sit with them for the remainder of the program. Please do not leave, though, as trophies will be handed out at the end of the program. If a student is absent, he/she will not receive a trophy. All students are asked to participate in our group photos at the end of the concert so be sure not to change out of your costumes until after the recital!

Students may invite as many guests as they wish. Two complimentary recital tickets per family have been emailed out to each family. If you have not yet received your tickets, please call or stop by the school office. This year, all tickets must be purchased online to ensure admission into the auditorium will go smoothly and promptly. Please visit **events.laapa.com** PRIOR to the performance date to purchase tickets for you and your family members. We ask that you bring only children 4 years of age or older (unless they are in the program).

Students will also have mandatory dress rehearsals the week before the recital (June 15th-21st) during their normal class times.

See you at the recital!

Ryan P. Cullen, Director
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