



Dance & Theater Arts Company

Twinkle Star Recital Packet 2017

Please read carefully and keep for future reference.

Dear Parents & Students,

This year's production is rapidly approaching. The following information is critical to ensure a smooth running, professional program that we may all enjoy. Each year, we try to improve processes from previous years to help Spring Semester run more efficiently, so **please read** the information in its entirety as some procedures have changed from previous years.

WHERE (Rehearsals/Recital):

Council Rock North
62 Swamp Road
Newtown, Pa 18940

WHEN: Dress Rehearsal- Saturday, May 20, 2017

Performance- Sunday, May 21, 2017 (Please note there is NO intermission)

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday, May 20, 2017

We will be starting promptly and in the order of the show. Please arrive with your nude leotard/pink tights on, fully dressed in costume, and hair & make-up neatly done.

Rehearsal 9:00-10:30. Performers arrive 15 mins prior to start time.

Twinkle Star Recital: Sunday, May 21, 2017

We will be starting promptly and in the order of the show. Students should arrive with nude leotard/tights on, fully dressed in costume, and with hair & make-up neatly done.

Twinkle Star Recital begins at 10am. Dancers should arrive by 9:30.

Rehearsals & Recital:

Please note **one** parent is allowed backstage with our twinkle stars to get them prepared for rehearsal and/or the recital. Once we begin the rehearsal/performance, we will ask the parents to please leave the backstage area and take their seats in the auditorium. Students will be supervised backstage and we will have a TV and coloring pages to keep the kids occupied while they are not on stage. **After your**

rehearsal/performance is finished, we ask that you please dismiss from the dressing rooms as quickly as possible so we can get the next group in for rehearsal.

Items Students should/shouldn't bring to Rehearsals/Performance:

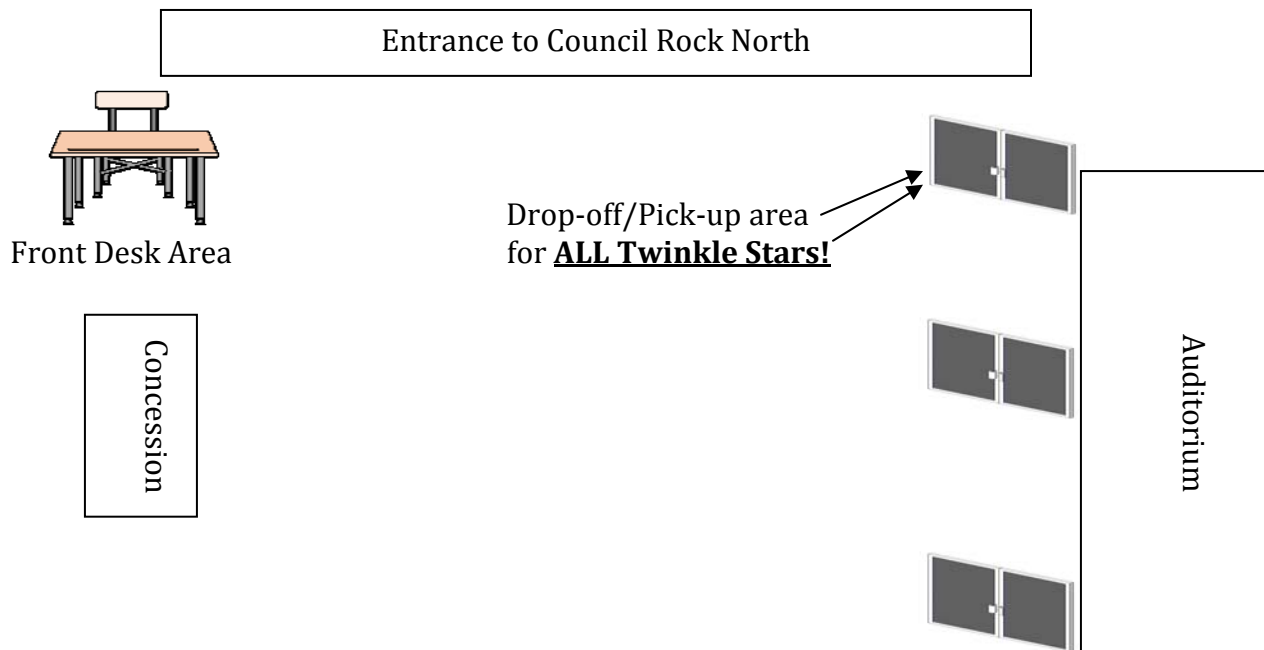
DO bring ALL costumes, accessories, dance shoes, tights, etc. which should be clearly labeled with student's first and last names. Please hang costume on a hanger with hanger labeled as well. Please place a bag over the hanger to hold headpieces, socks, or other accessories.

Please do NOT bring valuable items. Students are welcome to bring small toys, or books with them, but please no valuables; BCDTA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Drop Off & Pick Up Procedures:

When you arrive to the lobby of Council Rock North, you will sign in your child in the hallway of the lobby. One parent can take your child back to the dressing room area after sign-in. You must sign students in & out. When the rehearsal/performance is over, one parent (only 1 parent per child please) should pick up the child at the dressing room area. Following these procedures will ensure the safety of all of our students. Please note that once Twinkle Stars move up to our full musical, parents are not permitted backstage.

See below for diagram for where to pick -up/drop-off your child:



If your child needs to be picked up early:

If your child needs to leave rehearsal before the scheduled dismissal time, please see Sue Lynch or Liz Kenney who will be located in our lobby. They will be wearing headsets/staff name badges and can ask one of our staff to bring your child up to the lobby to be dismissed.

Auditorium Do's and Dont's:

- ❖ Please try to visit with your guests outside of the immediate entrance to Council Rock North as our next show students and guests will be arriving at this time.
- ❖ No friends, guests or parents will be permitted in the dressing rooms or in the hall.
- ❖ No students will be allowed in the auditorium during the performances.
- ❖ Please keep the aisles clear as students may be using the aisles and for fire regulations.

- ❖ No food or drink permitted in the theater.
- ❖ No flash photography or video cameras allowed in the auditorium. This is for the safety of our students during performances.

Why these rules?

Our main concern is our student's safety and presenting them in the most professional environment possible. Every year, BC Discoveries takes on the monumental task of coordinating hundreds of students, parents and guests. We do not take this responsibility lightly and expect everyone to cooperate with our directions so that your children, our "stars", will have an enjoyable and memorable performance. Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

FREE Tickets to see "Two Worlds":

We offer our Twinkle Stars and their families 2 free tickets (one child and one parent) to come see our fully staged musical production of "Two Worlds". (Please note that two free tickets can NOT be used for admission to the Twinkle Star Recital and that free ticket offer is not valid for families who have a child performing in "Two Worlds". Free tickets must be reserved in advance of 5/20 and 5/21). Additional tickets to "Two Worlds" are \$14 per adult, \$7 per child 12 and under, and free for lap sitters. Once students become 5 years of age, they are able to participate in our spring production. Don't miss out on this chance to see our Amazing Production! *To obtain your two free tickets, please fill out the "Two Worlds" ticket form on our website and write Twinkle Star Free Tickets in the notes/comments section. Ticket sales begin March 13th. Show times are as follows for May 21st: 1pm and 4:30pm. *Please note if purchased at the door of rehearsal or show on 5/20 or 5/21, adult ticket prices are \$16 and tickets for children 12 and under are \$9.*

Ticket Sales Begin on Monday, March 13, 2017

Twinkle Star recital tickets will go on sale on **March 13th**. Starting March 13th, tickets can be purchased online or ticket forms may be mailed or handed in at our front desk. Twinkle Star Recital tickets are \$5 for adults and free admission for children (children are considered any attendees 18 years and younger). Tickets for the recital are first come, first serve. There will be no saving of seats. Tickets will continue to be sold at all rehearsals and at the door of each performance.

***Please note: Online ticket orders end 5/12/17 at 11:59pm.**

How Can I purchase tickets starting at 12:00am on 5/13/17?

- **5/15-5/18: tickets may be purchased at the studio at the front desk and must be paid in full at time of purchase. These tickets will follow normal ticket pricing.**
- **5/20-5/21: tickets may be purchased at dress rehearsal or on show day at the front desk at Council Rock and the cost of "Twinkle Star Recital" tickets on these days will be: \$7 for adults and free for children 18 years and younger***

Ticket Pick-up:

Tickets will be available for pick up at all stage rehearsals at the front desk or the day of the show. Tickets will not be given out at the studio. ***Please note that tickets will not be given to any students with an outstanding balance on their account. This includes unpaid fees for tickets, tuition, costumes, or any other past due balances. If you have questions regarding this, please email bcdiscoveries@yahoo.com in advance or bring payment for due balances when coming to pick up tickets.**

Videography (DVD sales):

The performance will be recorded professionally and DVD's may be ordered prior to the recital. Please refer to the order form attached to the ticket order form on our website. The cost per DVD is \$25. Orders begin on March 13th and are due May 1st.

Flowers & Small Gifts:

Favoroso's Floral Design will be selling flowers and small gifts on performance day. Pre-order your flowers and save! Please refer to the order form attached to the ticket order form on our website. Orders begin on March 13th and are due May 1st. Prices are as follows: 1 dozen roses \$27, 1/2 dozen roses \$17, large spring bouquet \$17, small spring bouquet \$12, cookie bouquet \$12.

Trophy Orders:

Order a Trophy or Plaque for your shining star! These will have the show logo, along with your child's name and date of the performance! Great keepsake! The cost is \$18 per item. Please refer to the order form attached to the ticket order form on our website. Orders begin on March 13th and are due May 1st.

Flower/Trophy/Plaque/DVD Pick up:

There will be 2 tables set up in the lobby at Council Rock to pick up flowers, plaques and trophies.

- ❖ Flowers will be available for pick up on May 21st
- ❖ Trophies/plaques will be available for pick up May 21st
- ❖ DVD's will be available for pick up at the Cast Party on June 7th

Wish-And-A-Kiss!

Want to send your child something special for after the performance? Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents, and siblings can purchase wishes for their special star too! Does your child have a friend or a teacher that they would like to send a special wish and sweet treat to at the Spring 2017 Recital?! Purchase "wishes" for \$1 each (or 6 for \$5) at the studio front desk starting on March 13th and receive a card to write a wish on. Return cards to the front desk prior to the show, at the rehearsal, and on the day of the show, and BCDTA staff will pair your special wish with some Hershey Kisses and will distribute wishes to parents after the show! Each student will decorate their own bag during class to hold their special wishes! Please note you must pay for wishes when receiving the cards at the front desk.

Walk the Red Carpet!

Make your child feel like the star they are and stage your own paparazzi (your family!) to watch them as they shine like stars! BCDTA students can walk the red carpet on May 20th & May 21st! Don't forget to pack your camera! Please note that the "Red Carpet" is located in the lobby of the school; please limit your time for pictures as we have over 200 families that would like to get their pictures taken! Don't forget to #BCDISCOVERIES and #BCDTA!

Dancing Dads: Calling all dads...get ready for your number in the spring show! We had such a great time with this last year that we are bringing it back! Cost \$25. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6:30-7:15 (4/26, 4/29, 5/3, 5/10). Time to start brushing up on those dance moves, dads!

Hair/Make-up/Shoes/ Tights for your class:

Make-up for FEMALE Twinkle Stars: Bright or Natural Pink Lipstick, Pink Blush, Neutral eye shadow, Eyeliner (if student allows) and Black Mascara.

Hair: FEMALE Twinkle Stars' hair should be pulled back in a clean bun. MALE Twinkle Stars should have cleanly styled hair.

Shoes: All FEMALE Twinkle Stars need Black Tap Shoes and Pink Ballet Shoes. All MALE Twinkle Stars need Black Tap and Black Ballet Shoes.

Pink Tights/Nude Leotard: All FEMALE students must have **Pink Tights and a Nude Leotard!** Not applicable to MALE students.

Professional Picture Day - Saturday, May 6th:

Picture day is held at the studio and is optional; however, if you would like your child to be in the group photo they must come on this day (during time slot for their class listed below as we can't hold the group photo) and...We are excited to share that this year class photos will be placed in the 2017 show program! Please have your package and payment ready for your assigned class time. Please have your dancers ready (Costume, hair and make-up) 15 minutes before your scheduled time and allow 30-45 minutes for pictures to be completed. All performers should be wearing the appropriate costume pieces, tights and required shoes for their class (see above section). No parents will be allowed into the photo area. After pictures are finished for your class, students will be escorted back downstairs for dismissal.

Please note if you are late for the below times, you might not be in the group photo!

Twinkle Star Dance Recital Photo Time Slots:

9:15- Monday 9:30
9:30- Monday 10:30
9:45- Monday 1:00
10:00- Tuesday 9:30
10:15- Tuesday 10:30
10:30- Tuesday 2:00
10:45- Tuesday 3:45
11:00- Thursday 9:30
11:15- Thursday 10:30
11:30- Thursday 1:00
11:45- Thursday 2:00
12:00- Thursday 3:45
12:15- Thursday 4:45

Spirit Month at BCDTA...show your BCDTA spirit by taking part in these events!

Show month can be a little stressful for the kids and staff! So let's have fun!

Week of April 24th - Crazy Hair & Sock Week

Week of May 1st - Dress as your favorite Prince or Princess!

Week of May 8th - Sparkle week...wear something sparkly, shiny, or colorful!

Week of May 15th - Wear your Twinkle Star Shirt to class!

Show Week Classes:

May 15th is the last week of classes for Spring Semester. All classes will be held at the studio and will run during their normally scheduled times.

What's Happening After the Performance?

Cast Party- Wednesday, June 7th 5-6:30pm

This is a free event where students are invited to come celebrate a great performance! Snacks, cake and drinks will be served. DVD order will be available for pick up.

Fall Registration:

VIP registration for current students begins May 1st. Registration for Fall opens to the public on May 31st. Do not wait to register! Our classes tend to fill very quickly and our VIP registration is very important. Is it time for your child to graduate from Twinkle Star Classes? New this Fall! Ballet/Tap and Ballet/Jazz transition classes for 5-7 year olds and your child will get to perform in the BIG kids show! Please email bcdiscoveries@yahoo.com for any questions about class choices.

Summer Camps and Classes

Register early for the BEST and LOWEST prices! New discount program this year...to get the best price register early! Please check out our website for a complete schedule and detailed information on 2017 Summer Camps! www.bcdiscoveries.com

If you have any questions about this information, we encourage you to contact the office at 215-913-0690 or email questions to bcdiscoveries@yahoo.com Thank you!