



Instructions for PARENT HELPERS WMBA SHOWTIME 2017 (June 10 & 11)

Thank you for being part of the backstage team who will provide a safe and happy environment for all of our dancers!

THE DAY OF THE SHOW:

- **ARRIVAL:** Please arrive at the theatre one hour before the show to ensure that your own child/children are checked in and tended to.
- **WMBA TEAM:** You will meet Dusty K. and Rachel P. who are the Backstage Managers when you check in, they will give you a colorful Hawaiian lei and parent helper badge.
- **IN CHARGE:** You will then be given your class table and sitting area to monitor.
- **FACILITY:** Be sure you know where the bathrooms are in the hall, the access to the stage area, emergency exits, etc.
- **FOOD/DRINK:** Please bring a water bottle or a light snack for yourself, if so inclined, water and snacks are also on sale outside the cafeteria. All food and drink must remain in the cafeteria at all times! NO PENUT PRODUCTS
- **ASSISTANCE:** Any questions, please be sure to ask. We are a team!

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Staying with the class you are assigned to for the duration of the show.
- Helping all students with their needs or concerns.
- Check and refresh students hair make up and costume (no panties)
- You will meet a volunteer at the stage door who will instruct you're group when to enter the stage.
- **FROM THE WINGS:** Once backstage, you will have the opportunity to watch the dance from the immediate wings on the stage or, if you choose, you may leave the children at the stage door and go back into the theatre to watch it from the audience and then meet the class outside the stage door directly after their performance.
- **GRAND FINALE:** Parent helpers will also escort the class to the stage door for the Grand Finale and then back to the cafeteria afterwards.
- **SAFETY:** If a child has an emergency, please notify Ms. Katie Hauf and the child's parent will be notified to come backstage.
- **BATHROOM:** If you take a child to the bathroom or use a restroom yourself, please be certain another Parent Helper is nearby will watch your station while you are gone, or ask for assistance.
- You will not need to purchase a ticket.

HERE ARE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS OF THINGS TO BRING:

- * Bring a comforter or old blanket for your group to sit on in between dance numbers - the floor is dirty back stage.
- * Safety pins, hairpins, a small sewing kit with scissors.
- * If you have younger dancers, some paper, crayons, coloring sheets, or other non-messy activities (no markers). Markers and costumes do not mix.
- * Games and Activities to occupy your group
- * DVD Player and PG DVD's for children to watch in dressing room (probably 1 per dressing room)
 - * Ideally, bottles of water with pull-up lids only. DO NOT ALLOW JUICE, POP, GATORADE, ETC!
 - * A marker or pen for yourself to help mark names on water and other items. Things do get mixed up with one another.
 - * WMBA Caboodles will be provided in each dressing room with extra make-up and hair supplies. If the dancer does not have enough make-up on; Please apply with cue tip or other applicator so we are not sharing germs. Other extra supplies will be found along with the caboodles such as hair gel, wipes, hairspray, sewing kit, ice pack (severe injury only...not head ache or small bump), hand sanitizer, etc.

NO GUM OR CANDY ALLOWED ON STAGE OR BACKSTAGE

Thank you for your dedication to making WMBA's performance a smooth and enjoyable experience for our dancers. We are so proud of them and grateful for all of you. You are a blessing and truly appreciated!