 **SPRING CONCERT 2017 INSTRUCTIONAL PACKET**

Parents and Students,

Included in this packet are the schedules for tech rehearsals (in-studio Monday May 1 & Wednesday May 3, in theater Tuesday May 2 & Thursday May 4, Dress Rehearsal Friday May 5, and performances Saturday May 6 & Sunday May 7, 2017. We do need parent volunteers, and a link to sign up through VolunteerSpot will follow.

* Arrive and be prepared 15 minutes before your scheduled rehearsal time for all rehearsals, which are held at Ridgefield High School. **Read carefully to ensure you know which show(s) your child performs in.**
* For Monday-Thursday tech. rehearsals, wear regular classroom attire to rehearsal. For Friday’s Dress rehearsal, wear full costume, hair, and make-up. Come dressed all ready for dress rehearsal and performances). There is not ample bathroom space to dress your children at the theater.
* A pair of extra tights are needed for back-up, as are extra hairpins/hair accessories. Don’t send young dancers with lipstick.
* Write your child’s name on everything.
* Send your child with an overshirt or robe to wear over their costume while eating non-messy snacks that you send with them. No nuts (allergies) and no chocolate (mess).
* Dancers may purchase and wear a nude camisole leotard under concert costumes, and is recommended for dancers with fast changes. Shoe strings must be secured with scotch tape. No glitter, nail polish, visible tattoos, or “donut” bun forms.
* No visible undergarments including bra straps. **No underwear underneath tights.** Your tights are your underwear, and if you wear them, they will show through under stage lighting!
* Only parent volunteers are permitted to observe rehearsals or dress rehearsal.
* During the performances, all dancers will remain backstage until the completion of the concert.
* No food or drink allowed in the RHS Auditorium, and no food or drink while in costume.
* No photography or videography.
* Emergencies are to be reported to me via email at administrator@ridgefielddance.org, as staff will not be at RCD studios to take your calls during tech week.
* Tickets are available in the office now and will be available at the door. Everyone must have a ticket. They are $25/adult and $15/student/senior.
* We take your child’s safety very seriously. WE DO NOT PERMIT PARENTS TO WANDER BACKSTAGE OR PICK UP EARLY. We also take very seriously our high level of education in dance, which includes teaching children the industry standards and rules of the theater. Dancers in a professional production do not sit in the theater house in costume, and performers never leave the show early.
* **During performances, all dancers will remain backstage in their designated area.** They may be picked up at the **END** of the performance after their well-deserved bow.
* Dancers are not allowed to leave the facility while rehearsals/performances are in progress.
* Dance clothes are not street clothes. Do not exit and enter the theater in leotards and tights.
* Since your child is not permitted to leave performances early for any reason for safety’s sake, they **MAY WATCH DRESS REHEARSAL.**
* THE LAST DAY OF CLASSES OF THE SEMESTER IS FRIDAY APRIL 28

**TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY’S DRESS REHEARSAL ARE HELD AT RIDGEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL. MONDAY & WEDNESDAY REHEARSALS ARE HELD AT RCD (440 MAIN ST.)**

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| **MONDAY MAY 1 REHEARSAL AT 440 MAIN ST (IN-STUDIO):**  Regular class attire, no costumes. |
| **4:15 – 5:00 WITH AMY**  **SUNDAY 5/7 PRE-BALLET PERFORMERS & ASSISTANTS**  **(FRIDAY PRE-BALLET III 6-6:45)**  **(SATURDAY PREBALLET I/II CLASS 11:45-12:30)**  **(SATURDAY PRE-BALLET III 12:30-1:15)** |
| **5:15 – 6:00 WITH AMY**  **SATURDAY 5/6 PRE-BALLET PERFORMERS & ASSISTANTS**  **(MONDAY PRE-BALLET II 5:15-6:00)**  **(MONDAY PRE-BALLET III 6-6:45)** |
| **6:00 – 6:45 HIP HOP I/II WITH GARRETT** |
| **6:45 – 7:30**  **HIP HOP III/IV WITH GARRETT** |
| **7:30 – 8:15**  **HIP HOP V/VI WITH GARRETT** |

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| **TUESDAY MAY 2 TECH REHEARSAL AT RIDGEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL:**  Regular class attire, no costumes. |
| **6:30 – 7:00**  **JUNIOR DANCE ENSEMBLE, THEIR OWN CHOREO & STARFISH**  **7:00 – 7:15**  **ABE CINCO + 1** |
| **7:15 – 7:30**  **ACE SENIOR ALL SEVEN** |
| **7:30 – 8:00**  **JRE REFLECTIONS & BABY I’M A STAR** |
| **8:00 – 8:30**  **CDE SHMC PIECE & DELIRIOUS** |
| **8:30-9:00**  **RIDGEFIELD CIVIC BALLET GISELLE EXCERPTS** |

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| **WEDNESDAY MAY 3: REHEARSAL AT 440 MAIN ST (IN-STUDIO):**  Regular class attire, no costumes. |
| **4:00 – 5:00**  **ALL PERFORMING ENSEMBLES FOR FINALE (JDE, JRE, ABE, ACE Sr., Civic)** |
| **5:00 – 6:00**  **TAP III/IV** |
| **6:00– 7:00**  **TAP I/II** |
| **7:00 – 8:00**  **TAP V/VI** |

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| **THURSDAY MAY 4: TECH REHEARSAL AT RIDGEFIELD HIGH SCHOOL:**  Regular class attire, no costumes. |
| **4:00 – 5:00**  **SATURDAY BALLET CLASSES:**  Pre-Ballet Suite: Pre-Ballet II Monday 5:15 & Pre-ballet III Monday 6:00  Ballet I Monday 4:15  Ballet I Wednesday 4:00  Ballet II Monday 5:15  Ballet II Wednesday 5:00  Ballet III Monday 6:15  Ballet III Wednesday 6:00  Ballet IV Wednesday 7:15  Ballet IV Tuesday 6:15  Ballet V Tuesday 4:00  Ballet VI Monday 6:15  Ballet V Pointe Tuesday 5:30  Ballet VI Pointe Monday 7:45 |
| **5:00 – 6:00**  **SUNDAY BALLET CLASSES:**  Pre-Ballet Suite: Pre-ballet I/II Saturday 11:45 , Pre-ballet III Saturday 12:30, & Pre-Ballet III Friday 6:00  Ballet I Tuesday 5:15  Ballet II Tuesday 4:15  Ballet III Saturday 11:15  Ballet IV Saturday 9:00  Ballet V Saturday 9:00  Ballet VI Saturday 11:15 & Tuesday 6:15  Ballet V Pointe Saturday 10:30  Ballet VI Pointe Tuesday 7:45 & Saturday 12:45 |
| **6:00– 6:30**  **MODERN** |
| **6:30 – 7:15**  **JAZZ** |
| **7:15 – 7:35**  **TAP** |
| **7:35 – 8:00**  **HIP HOP** |
| **8:00 – 8:20**  **MUSICAL THEATER** |
| **8:20 – 8:35**  **CONTEMPORARY** |

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| **FRIDAY MAY 5: DRESS REHEARSAL**  **MANDATORY DRESS REHEARSAL EVERYBODY to arrive at 3:45 pm**  **IN FULL COSTUMES/HAIR/MAKE-UP**  **Please note that due to the combination of the Saturday & Sunday shows,**  **dress rehearsal does NOT run in exact order of actual performances.**  **4:00 – 5:30 SATURDAY ACT I**  **Ballet:**  Pre-Ballet Suite: Pre-Ballet II Monday 5:15 & Pre-Ballet III Monday 6:00, Ballet I Monday 4:15, Ballet I Wednesday 4:00, Ballet II Monday 5:15, Ballet II Wednesday 5:00, Ballet III Monday 6:15, Ballet III Wednesday 6:00, Ballet IV Wednesday 7:15, Ballet IV Tuesday 6:15, Ballet V Tuesday 4:00, Ballet VI Monday 6:15, Ballet V Pointe Tuesday 5:30, Ballet VI Pointe Monday 7:45  **All Modern**  **All Contemporary**  **All Jazz**  **5:30 - 5:45 ALL DANCERS BOW REHEARSAL (not SPHERE)**  **5:45 - 7:15 SUNDAY ACT I**  Pre-Ballet Suite: Pre-ballet I/II Saturday 11:45, Pre-ballet III Saturday 12:30, & Pre-Ballet III Friday 6:00, Ballet I Tuesday 5:15, Ballet II Tuesday 4:15, Ballet III Saturday 11:15, Ballet IV Saturday 9:00, Ballet V Saturday 9:00, Ballet VI Saturday 11:15 & Tuesday 6:15, Ballet V Pointe Saturday 10:30, Ballet VI Pointe Tuesday 7:45 & Saturday 12:45  **All Musical Theater**  **All Tap**  **All Hip Hop**  **7:15 – 9:00: ACT II PERFORMING ENSEMBLES (RUN IN ORDER OF AGE GROUP, NOT SHOW ORDER)**  JDE JUNIOR DANCE ENSEMBLE, THEIR OWN CHOREO & STARFISH  ABE, Cinco + 1  ACE Sr. All Seven  JRE REFLECTIONS & BABY I’M A STAR  CDE SHMC piece + Delirious  Civic Giselle excerpts |

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| **SATURDAY PERFORMANCE: MAY 6** |
| 12:00: Call time for ensemble dancers: JDE, ACE, ACE Sr., ABE, CDE, & Civic only  12:15 – 1:00 Warm-up for ensemble dancers  1:00: Call time & check-in for all other dancers including SPHERE  \* Dress rehearsal for SPHERE 1:10 pm |
| 2:00 – 4:30 (estimated end time subject to change)  Order of Show:  **Act I:**  **SPHERE**  **MUSICAL THEATER V/VI: RICH MAN’S FRUG**  **BALLET**  **MODERN**  **CONTEMPORARY**  **JAZZ**  **Intermission**  **Act II:**  CIVIC:GISELLE EXCERPTS  ABE: CINCO + 1  JRE: BABY I’M A STAR  JDE: STARFISH & COFFEE  ACE SR: ALL SEVEN  JRE: REFLECTIONS  CDE: DELIRIOUS  **Finale: All dancers except SPHERE** |

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| **SUNDAY PERFORMANCE: MAY 7** |
| 12:00: Call time for all company dancers: JDE, ACE, ACE Sr., ABE, CDE, & Civic only  12:15 – 1:00 Warm-up for all company dancers  1:00: Call time & check-in for all other |
| 2:00 – 4:30 (estimated end time subject to change)  Order of Show:  **Act I:**  **BALLET**  **TAP**  **MUSICAL THEATER**  **HIP HOP**  **Intermission**  SENIOR SLIDESHOW  AWARDS  **Act II:**  JRE: REFLECTIONS  CDE: SHMC PIECE  ABE: CINCO + 1  JRE: BABY I’M A STAR  ACE SR: ALL SEVEN  JDE: OWN CHOREO  CIVIC: GISELLE EXCERPTS  **Finale: All dancers** |

\*All subject to change.

All high school dancers applying for National Honor Society for Dance Arts must submit application materials by April 15, 2017 for induction during the Sunday show.

Spring Concert costumes will not be released to anyone with unpaid balances.