



RECITAL NEWSLETTER

Saturday, June 6th, 2020

*Deadline for Recital & Finale Dance Video Submissions

Our Virtual Year End Recital 2020 is fast approaching! All Crossings students have been working hard learning their Recital Choreography and Finale Dance. As we near the time when you will film and submit your dance(s), we want to make sure you have all of the information needed to fulfill this task with confidence! Please read through this email and attachments in their entirety, as they outline all necessary information, details and important dates for the coming weeks. As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions!

During the week of June 1st – 6th please film your dancer performing their Recital Dance(s) and Finale Dance, then upload the video(s) to Google Classroom by June 6th. We have outlined below and attached all necessary information you will need for this Virtual Recital process.

Attached to this email you will find:

- Upcoming important dates for Recital & end of year
- Recital Hair, Makeup, Costume & Filming Handout (requirements per class/dance)
 - As cross-contamination is still a vital concern, we have collaborated with each dancer & class about what to wear as their costume, colour coordinating with their classmates. Costume fees from this year which were part of your deposit, will be deferred to next season.
- Recital Dance music
- Finale Dance music (edited for performance section only)

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

If you have not already access your Google Classroom,(s) we strongly encourage you to do so before June 6th. You will upload your Recital Dance, Finale Dance and any practice videos here, so it is important that you access it ahead of time.

RECITAL DANCES

Attached to this email is a **handout** that outlines all necessary information regarding your child's Recital Dance, including hair style, stage (video) makeup, costume pieces and footwear. It also gives detailed information about how and where to film your dance, and how to upload your video when you are ready (by June 6th).

Recital dance music – Your Recital Dance music is attached to this email and can be found in your Google Classroom.

Filming your dance – Information about filming your Recital Dance are laid out in detail in the attached Handout.

Uploading your Recital Dance – Please upload your Recital Dance video (by June 6th) in your Google Classroom → Classwork → RECITAL DANCE VIDEO SUBMISSION (by class).

FINALE DANCE 2020

Each year we end our Recital with a full school Finale Dance, where all students come on stage for one final bow! This is a favorite moment for many of our students, so we must have it in our Virtual Recital! Students have been learning and practicing the FINALE 2020 Dance in their weekly classes; however, we do ask that along with practicing their Recital Dance(s) at home, they also practice the Finale Dance so that they are confident when it comes time to film! During our Dress Rehearsal week (May 25 – 30) we will be recording class bows via ZOOM in each dance class, so please don't miss this week of classes! Once all videos have been submitted, we will compile them into one GIANT Finale!

Finale video (for learning/practice) - Our amazing faculty have created a video for learning the dance, which can be found in your Google Classroom or on Youtube...
<https://youtu.be/dJ8gdP9YBP1>

Filming the Finale – Please film the Finale Dance landscape (horizontal), with a simple background, adequate lighting and at an appropriate distance so that the dancer's entire body visible. These are the same filming instructions as your Recital Dance, so please refer to your Handout (attached) for specific details.

Finale Music – Finale music is attached to this email and can be found in your Google Classroom. If you are using the full unedited version of Take On The World, please play from 1:14 onward. However, we have attached the cut version to this email for you, which has been edited and can be played in its entirety. When filming the Finale, please play the music from a separate device as that which you are filming with.

Siblings/Parents – Crossings dancers who have siblings or parents who also dance, you are welcome to film your Finale video together! Parents of young children, you are also welcome to participate with your child! Maybe make it a family activity!!

Finale Costume – Please wear plain black or denim bottoms and either a plain bright colored t-shirt or a Crossings t-shirt.

Uploading your Finale dance – Please upload your Finale Dance video (by June 6th) in your Google Classroom → Classwork → FINALE DANCE VIDEO SUBMISSION.

Once all the Recital videos are submitted, these solo performances will be edited along with their classmates' videos to create their class dance and then compiled into a full-length studio **Virtual Year End Recital**. This process will take quite a bit of time, but we hope to be able to release the full-length video to you by the end of July.

We are excited to highlight the progress of our students and celebrate this unbelievable year! Each student will have an opportunity to not only shine, but star in this production and it will be quite a keepsake for years to come! Thank you for joining us on this virtual journey and for supporting your dancers as they bring their passion to the screen!

2020-21 DANCE SEASON

We are already planning for the next great season of dance at Crossings. Did you know that we are going into our 30th season?!?! We couldn't be more thrilled about sharing our history with you and we have some exciting things planned to celebrate throughout the year!

Registration OPENS Monday, May 25th. Full Year Classes begin Monday, September 7th, 2020. Register right away to save a spot in your favorite classes!

**Please note that we will not be charging 2020/21 tuition up front, but rather we will only charge a \$30 (\$50 for family) Registration Fee as a deposit to hold your space. When we have a better idea of what the fall will look like with health allowances and procedures, we will provide you with a fee summary. Tuition pricing will remain the same as 2019/20, with no increases. If you have any questions regarding tuition costs, please let us know.*

SUMMER

We are very excited about the fun Virtual Summer Camps (July) and in person Summer Dance Camps (August – hopefully!) we will be offering this summer. Be sure to check them out on our website!

<https://www.crossingsdance.com/what-we-offer/summer-at-crossings>

PARENT INFORMATION WEEK :

Monday, May 18th – Saturday, May 23rd

*Parents, please pop into the first 5-10 minutes of your child's class for a quick information meeting about the Virtual Recital process. If you unable to join us and after reading through this newsletter you still have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us!

PRACTICE VIDEOS :

Submit by Monday, May 25th

*Students are welcome to submit practice videos of their Recital Dances into their **Google Classroom → Classwork → PRACTICE RECITAL VIDEOS → Select class** Videos can be used for receiving corrections, clarifying movement and/or testing out film settings. Your child's teacher will respond to your videos with feedback.

DRESS REHEARSAL WEEK :

Monday, May 25th – Saturday, May 30th

*Students are asked to wear their chosen costume, appropriate footwear and required hair style to all classes this week for final approval before filming. Crossings faculty will also be recording class bows on ZOOM during Dress Rehearsal week, so please don't miss class!

VIRTUAL RECITAL FILMING WEEK :

Monday, June 1st – Saturday, June 6th

*All Crossings students will record their **Recital dance** as solos in a chosen location (safety first). Students are also asked to record the **FINALE dance!** All videos are than to be uploaded to **Google Classroom → Classwork → RECITAL DANCE VIDEO SUBMISSION → Select class or FINALE DANCE SUBMISSION**
Submission deadline is **Saturday, June 6th**.
You are welcome to wait to film until after this weeks class, providing one final practice before filming!

LAST WEEK OF CLASSES :

Monday, June 8th – Saturday, June 13th

*Final week of classes for 2019/20. Students will have an in-class celebration with their teachers & classmates!