evolve DANCE COMPANY

RECITAL

A Step-by-Step Guide

Costume Measuring
10/19-10/24

Costume Fees Due
11/1

Classes Close & Choreography Begins
(November - December)

Tights Ordered & Shoe Approval
January/February

Recital Photo Shoot
4/16-4/18

Recital Tickets Go On Sale
5/2

Dress Rehearsal
6/10-6/11

Recital Weekend!!
6/12-6/13

Why is Recital Important?: Recital is more than a performance—it is the culmination of everything your dancer has worked toward throughout the season. Dancers spend months developing technique, coordination, musicality, confidence, teamwork, memory, and perseverance. Recital gives them the opportunity to see that hard work through to completion and experience the accomplishment of performing with their class on stage. For our younger dancers especially, the goal is not perfection. It is about learning to commit to something, work through challenges, contribute to a team, and proudly say, "I did it!"

When and Where is Recital? Recital weekend is June 12th and 13th in Maddox Theater at Rockford University.

What Show is my Dancer In? Evolve has 4-5 separate recital shows. The show(s) your dancer will be in will be announced in February.

Attendance Matters! Regular attendance is especially important once recital choreography starts. We understand absences happen, but each dancer is an important piece of the group, making their presence helpful for the entire class. Being in class consistently also helps dancers feel confident, prepared, and proud when they take the stage!

Costume Information: Dancers will be measured for recital costumes during class October 19th-24th. Costume fees are $90 per costume, and are due November 1st. We order costumes early to allow enough time for delivery, try-ons, and size exchanges if needed. Families will be responsible for their own alterations, if needed.

Jazz Lyrical classes will have two costumes–one for jazz, and one for lyrical. All other classes will have one costume.

Rising Blooms classes will also need an outfit from home for their ballet dance. Girls will need a light pink ballet dress, and boys will need a white, long-sleeved button-down shirt. Teachers will share more details about this closer to recital.

Tights Information: Recital tights are $14 per pair, and those fees will be due January 29th. Ballet classes will receive pink tights, and all others will receive skin-tone tights.

Rising Blooms classes will need both colors–pink for their ballet dance, and skin-tone for jazz/tap.

Recital Hair & Makeup: Stage lights are bright! To keep dancers from appearing washed out on stage, all dancers should plan to wear light stage makeup, including eyeshadow, mascara, and blush. Families will be notified in April with specific instructions for how dancers should wear their hair for recital.

Recital Class Photos: Recital Class Photos will be taken by Ames Sports at Evolve on Friday, April 16th - Sunday, April 18th. The photo fee is $50 for your dancer's first class and $25 for each additional class they participate in. Each class photo package includes one digital group photo of the class and one digital individual photo of your dancer. Photo Fees are due April 1st.

Recital Package Information: Our Recital Package is $75 and is due May 28th. This covers the cost of a digital delivery of your dancer's recital show and their recital t-shirt. Additional recital t-shirts and digital deliveries will be available to purchase if needed, and this package is required.

What is Dress Rehearsal? Dress Rehearsal is the practice before the big show! Dancers arrive in full costume and have the opportunity to practice on stage, become familiar with the theater, and build confidence before recital day. It's a great way to calm nerves and help dancers feel prepared and excited for their performance! Dress Rehearsal schedules will be released in February.

When do Recital Tickets Go on Sale? Recital tickets go on sale May 2nd using an online platform. Tickets are $20 each, reserved seating, and sell fast! Don't delay in purchasing your tickets.

Dancer Check-In Process at Recital: Dressing Rooms will be assigned, and the theater will have signage directing dancers and families. Dressing room assignments will be provided in March.

Photography/Videography: Photography & Videography are not allowed during performances. A digital delivery of the show will be emailed to you.