



Costume Care



We recommend that you **label all costumes, shoes, accessories and tights with your child's name**. Place the costumes in a garment bag with your child's name on the outside. Pack accessories in clear plastic bags for each costume. *** If your child has several costume changes, you may want to invest in a small rolling rack. It will prevent wrinkles & keep costumes in order.

Costumes that are wrinkled should be placed near a shower to expose it to the steam and allow the wrinkles to steam out. Avoid ironing costumes as sequins, tulle, and other décor will melt.

Tutus should be hung upside down on a hanger to keep them fluffy. Do NOT iron them – they will melt!

Do not wash costumes – They may be dry cleaned after performances are complete

Remove any tags that could hang out of the costume. Straps and belts should be tacked down with thread. We will determine how to wear headpieces or hats at picture day.

Costumes with Fringe – At the bottom of most costumes with fringe is a thread that keeps fringe from being tangled. Do not remove that thread until picture day and keep that costume or skirt on a skirt hanger to prevent fringe from tangling after thread has been pulled.

Costumes Cover Up – It is a good idea to wear a cover up while in costume and wear regular shoes when not on stage.

Please, please... Do Not Wear Costumes to play in before recital day! No eating in costume at any time.

Quick Costume Changes

During the show some performers will have quick costume changes. A team of moms, teachers and our older students will be on hand to help with those changes. If your child has several changes during the ballet portion of the recital, it is wise to bring a laundry basket (labeled with name) to keep all costume pieces together during the quick change.

