



RECITAL PACKET 2024 | “Make A Wish” featuring “The Wizard of Oz Ballet”

Dear Parents and Students of Momentum Dance & Performing Arts Center,

We are so excited to invite you to participate in our annual recital “Make a Wish!” featuring “The Wizard of Oz Ballet” on Saturday, June 22 and Sunday, June 23, 2024, at the Fullerton Community College Theatre!

For over 20 years, Momentum has provided an exciting and fun performance experience through our annual recital in June. The summer recital offers students a chance to participate in a professionally-directed performance and allows them to present a year’s worth of hard work, dedication, and progress to their families and friends.

A big part of training in the arts is learning through performance. Although performance opportunities can help prepare some students for a possible career in dance, they also contribute to success in non-dance activities. The performance experience helps build self-esteem and self-confidence. It can also result in better in-school presentation, improved social skills, and strong interview skills for future college or job opportunities.

The rehearsal process is a tremendous learning experience, as well. It helps to develop retention skills, and in working with classmates on group performance, they learn the positive aspects of working as a team to create the best result. The backstage experience, dress rehearsal, theatre etiquette, and on-stage experience are all part of enhancing the performer’s education.

Dedication to recital commitments is the responsibility of both students and their parents. We hope this handbook will explain the commitment and responsibility of participating in the annual recital. Recital registration opens January 14th and closes January 23rd.

We look forward to seeing you on stage in June!

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PART 1: THE COMMITMENT

By allowing your child to participate in the Momentum recital, you commit yourself and your child to the following dates and events.

Date	Activity	Location
January 23, 2024	Registration Deposit Due- \$50 per family & \$45 per costume	Momentum
February 15, 2024	Costumes Deposit #2 Due	Momentum
March 15, 2024	Costumes Deposit #3 Due	Momentum
May 15, 2024	Final Costumes Balance Payment Due	Momentum
June 9 th , 2024 Group Photo -MANDATORY Single Photos Available	Photo Day - Ballet and Variety Professional Individual & Group Sessions with Professional Photographer	Momentum
June 20- MANDATORY	Dress Rehearsal – Ballet “Wizard”	Fullerton College
June 21- MANDATORY	Dress Rehearsal –Variety “Make a Wish”	Fullerton College
June 22	Recital Day 1 (2 Shows)	Fullerton College
June 23	Recital Day 2 (2 Shows)	Fullerton College

As the season progresses, additional recital information or updates will be posted on bulletin boards, online, and in newsletters.

Our youngest dancers will perform in only 1 show. More advanced performers may perform in 2 or more shows. We will have our recital show order set by the beginning of May so that you may anticipate your day's activities.

Please note that some classes on the studio class schedule will be deemed “Technique Only,” meaning that the class will NOT be participating in the concert. These are usually classes for adults or additional ballet or jazz technique classes for the more intermediate/advanced students.

Participation in the dress rehearsal is **MANDATORY**. The dress rehearsal allows the students to become familiar with the theater surroundings and feel comfortable with their performance, costuming and being onstage.

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PART 2: FEES & REGISTRATION

Parents will complete registration online through the Parent Portal. Please enroll your student(s) in each class they plan on performing with.

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE LINK TO REGISTER](#)

Fees include:

- **\$50 non-refundable concert fee:** This is charged to each family to help defray the expense of the theatre rental, technical crews, special event insurance, and related costs.
- \$67-\$90 per costume depending on your student's age/level (*details in Part 3*)
- **[Ballet only]** \$90 rehearsal fee: All ballet classes will be cast in "The Wizard of Oz Ballet" and there will be approximately 6 extra weekend rehearsals to learn the curtain call, rehearse the show with the full cast, and practice costume changes. Additionally, those who accept a lead/soloist or principal role in the ballet shall pay an additional fee for rehearsals.

Registration opens on January 14th. Registration and initial deposit are due January 23rd.

PART 3: COSTUMES

Costume orders are placed from late January to mid-February to ensure that costumes are delivered in time for photographs and an organized distribution to our students. **Costume companies do not accept cancellations or offer refunds, therefore, Momentum does not refund costume deposits.** Costumes include all accessories but NOT tights or shoes. Tights may be purchased at the studio.

The cost of costumes can be found in the table below:

Type of class	Cost per costume
Kidance & First Steps Classes.....	\$67
Petites Classes.....	\$71
Levels Basic, 1 & 2, Acro 2	\$80
Levels 3, 4 & 5, Choreography, Acro 3,4, Pointe, Contemporary.....	\$90
Ballet Principals.....	\$150



Payment schedule for costumes			
January 23	February 15	March 15	May 15
\$ 45 – deposit each costume	\$15 – minimum per each costume	\$15- minimum per each costume	Balance- if necessary

Costumes will not be ordered without a deposit of \$45 EACH costume. Once costumes are ordered, deposits are NOT refundable. Parents and guardians accept full responsibility for all expenses, including those charges for costumes ordered late due to missed deadlines. A typical charge for a late order is \$20 per costume.

We accept credit cards, cash, and checks for costume deposits. **If you have a credit card on file with us, your account will be charged on the dates listed above.**

If a parent or guardian withdraws a child from Momentum after costumes have been ordered and before the recital, no refund will be issued. Purchased costumes may be picked up at the studio during the costume distribution period and up to 15 days after the performance. Costumes not picked up after fifteen (15) days will be donated to charity.

Sizing

Costume measuring begins the third week in January during scheduled class times. All children will be measured to determine their proper costume size(s). Measurements include: Bust/Chest, Waist, Hips, Girth and Inseam. (Girth is a circular measurement from shoulder – through the crotch and back up to the same shoulder.) We add 1 inch to girth to allow for growth when ordering.

Alterations

Although rare, alterations are sometimes needed after the costumes have been distributed and are the responsibility of the student's parents or guardians.

Distribution

Costumes will be distributed when all outstanding balances are paid in full. **This includes June tuition.**



PART 4: TICKET SALES

Tickets will go on sale **ONLINE** on May 26, 2024. Ticket sales are through TutuTix. We hope this will make purchasing your tickets more convenient for you.

Tickets for all shows include VIP and General Admission prices. Tickets are non-refundable and non-returnable, so be sure to get an accurate count of all that you will need. To create an organized and professional atmosphere, tickets are reserved seating. Each audience member who occupies a seat **MUST** have a ticket. Each person entering the theatre requires a ticket. "Lap Sitter" tickets are available at the studio for children 2 years old and under, who will not occupy a theatre seat themselves. "Lap Sitter" tickets are free.

To keep ticket sales organized, each family may buy their tickets based on their student numbers and enrollment in the **Momentum Fan Club**. Those in the Fan Club have priority followed by Groups A, B & C with D being our most recent enrollees. ***All Tickets will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.***

AND FINALLY....

When we all put our children first, the recital experience will be a great one that each performer will always remember! We appreciate your support for our studio and your compliance with these guidelines.

We hope that everyone will choose to be a part of the event! It brings together the efforts of teachers, students, and parents in an exciting and creative show. If you have any questions regarding the information here, please don't hesitate to call. Thanks to all of you for being a part of the Momentum Family. We hope that *your* experience will be fun and exciting as well as your dancer's experience!

Now, "break a leg!"