



## GUIDELINES

These guidelines were constructed with the input from staff and volunteers over many years of production experience. Success and enjoyment is contingent upon adherence to the following:

### At the theatre

- Please do not eat or drink in costume
- Do not leave back stage or dressing room area in costume. No costumed dancers are allowed in the auditorium.
- All dancers and parent volunteers must be at the theatre on time. (Please note: you will be advised nearer the theatre dress rehearsals and performances what time to be at the theatre).
- It is advised that all dancers bring nutritious snacks –**NUT FREE!!!**.
- All dancers must label all their items. In the past we have been left with an enormous amount of lost and found, therefore we recommend that all personal belongs are clearly labeled.
- The halls of the theatre should be left clear whereby dancers should be in their assigned rooms until their stage call/costume check.
- All dancers must have stage make up removed prior to leaving the theatre. Cosmetic wipes should be sent with each dancer so that they may clean their faces after each performance.
- Dancers are not allowed on stage before performances and not allowed in the backstage area until called up by Stage Manager.
- Please remind your young dancer to remember that backstage should be a quiet area so that the performances can run smoothly.
- We ask that parents do not enter the auditorium during dress rehearsals. We understand the desire to catch a glimpse of the children rehearsing. However, if the presence of a non-volunteer parent is brought to the attention of the theatre management we will be charged.
- Only stage crew and dancers waiting for an entrance should be backstage.
- Anyone found decorating the Theatre with graffiti will be instantly dismissed from the performances and expelled from the School. Please ask your young dancer to respect the Theatre, their fellow dancers and the School.

### **Make-up**

- Do not leave back stage or theatre in make-up.
- Please ensure all dancers bring their own make-up removal wipes. Please label the wipes.
- Dancers are required to wear make-up, which will be applied by the make-up department for the younger dancers in character.
- Some of the characters in the performance require full-face make-up (i.e. mice).
- Our make-up department follows health and safety precautions and are hygienic, please advise if your young dancer has any allergic reaction to make-up.

### **Warm-up**

- All dancers in Level 2B and up, pre-professional, and professional divisions must attend all warm-up classes. Please check the notice board for groupings. Warm-up classes will be held at the Oakville School of Classical Ballet. Attendance will be taken and dancers not attending warm-up classes will not be allowed to perform.
- After warm-up classes the dancers will have to be collected from Oakville School of Classical Ballet and taken to the theatre. Please may we request that you arrange or coordinate with another parent for your dancer to be taken to the theatre so they arrive **on time**.
- Dancers in level 4 and up, warm-up classes may be held at the Theatre.