General Information

Welcome to the 2020 DanceQuest recital titled "Once Upon a Time". As we prepare for the upcoming show, please review the following information carefully.

There will be two shows on Saturday, June 6, 2020. The first show will begin at 11am and the second show *tentatively* at 3pm. Once our show order is completed, we will notify you which show(s) your child is in.

Costumes

Costumes will be distributed to dancers in late May. Parents will come into the studio on that day to try them on their child and review specific hair and makeup instructions. Each dancer will take their costume home. Please do not wear them until dress rehearsal. They must be kept clean for pictures and the show.

Pre-Ballet Tap and Combo costumes requiring tights will come included with your costume. All other costumes do NOT come with tights. If you need additional tights, they are available in our proshop for purchase. You must purchase tights from our proshop so all performers have the same shade/color.

Dress Rehearsal

Dress Rehearsal will be held at Oswego High School during the day on Friday, June 5. Dancers in multiple classes may have to attend both dress rehearsals, but only for your assigned times. Detailed dress rehearsal schedules will be sent out as soon as they are completed (April/May). Please bring your children in full hair, make-up, tights, etc. Dancers may either come in their costume or change when they arrive at the school. If you choose to change at the school, please allow extra time prior to your scheduled arrival time. Your student should be completely ready at the scheduled arrival time ("call time"). Please do not be late! Dress rehearsal may run early or late, so it is very important to be on time if not early. If you are not present at your scheduled time, we will **not** wait for you. DanceQuest staff will escort the dancers backstage, and then back to the lobby after their stage time concludes. Parents will NOT be allowed backstage for dress rehearsal.

<p style="text-align:center;color:red;">DRESS REHEARSAL ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY FOR RECITAL PARTICIPATION.</p>

Pictures/DVD

Pictures will be held at GymQuest/DanceQuest on Thursday, June 4. Both group and individual pictures will be professionally taken by Sportography. Picture packages can be ordered online or with a picture envelope (will be handed out in class in May). The online link will be available on the DanceQuest website in May. You may consider a sibling picture in costume as well. Pictures will be mailed directly to your home by Sportography in a timely manner.

Each show will be professionally videotaped by the Sterling Group. DVD order forms will be available at the front desk prior to the show date, at dress rehearsal,

and during the show. DVDs will be shipped directly to you from the videographer when they are done.

Tickets

Tickets are $13 each and are assigned seating. Children 2 and under are admitted free of charge if sitting on a parent's lap. Handicapped seating is marked on the seating chart if you are need of it (an open space next to regular seating for a wheelchair). Tickets are sold online and will go on sale **MONDAY, MAY 4**. You will follow the link emailed to you to purchase your tickets.

Performance

Dancers need to arrive at Oswego High School with hair, make-up, tights, etc. on and ready to dance one hour before the show begins. Parents will sign their child in and hand them over to DanceQuest staff who will escort them to the dressing room. Parents can mingle in the lobby until the doors open a half hour before the show. **Only DanceQuest staff and approved volunteers are allowed backstage.**

Each class will perform onstage then return to the dressing room. **All dancers must remain backstage for the entire length of the show.** All performers will participate in a bow/finale at the end of the show so they must keep their costumes on. After the finale/bow all performers will be escorted to the dressing room to gather belongings and then escorted back to the stage for dismissal. **Only one** family member will be asked to stay in the auditorium while everyone else will be asked to head out of the building before dismissal begins. This will help us with crowd control so that we can make sure each dancer gets back to his/her family.

Videos and crafts will be provided to keep dancers occupied while they are in the dressing rooms. Each show should last about 2 hours.

What to pack the day of the show

Costume (make sure you have all pieces i.e. hair accessories, gloves, etc)
Tights (should be wearing one pair, an extra pair is recommended)
Ballet, tap, or jazz shoes (check with your child's instructor for required shoes)
Label everything! Costume, tights, shoes, bags, etc.
IMPORTANT: Leave all jewelry, electronics (iPods, phones, gaming devices, etc.), and valuables at home. DanceQuest is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
Snacks, water: NO NUTS! Non-messy snacks to keep costumes clean and only water to drink.

T-Shirts

You have the option of purchasing a recital t-shirt. Order forms are available at the front desk. T-shirts must be ordered ahead of time; forms with payment are due back no later than **Monday, May 4**. Pre-ordered t-shirts will be available for pick up at the dress rehearsal. See order form for more details.

Fees

Recital Participation Fee: $30/student

Costume Fees: $65/child XS, S, M, L, $70/child XL, XXL, adult S, M, L XL.
                          Note: advanced class costumes may cost up to $80 max

Tickets: $13/ticket in advance, $16 at the door

Pictures: Cost depends on picture package chosen (optional)

DVD: Detail to come (optional)

Important Dates

Monday, May 4   Tickets go on sale online
                          T-shirt orders due

Thursday, June 4   Picture Day at DanceQuest
                             Regular Thursday DanceQuest classes
                             DVD order forms available

Friday, June 5   Dress Rehearsal at Oswego High School
                        DVD order forms available

Saturday, June 6   Shows: 11am and *tentatively* 3pm
                             NO regular Saturday DanceQuest classes
                             DVD order forms available
                             Fresh flowers available for purchase