Dance – Theater – Voice – Wellness

Winter Showcase
Parent's Guide

Show Location

Whitman Hanson High School
600 Franklin Street, Whitman, MA 02382

Important Upcoming Dates

Online Ticket Sales	Friday, 11/13/2026 (6:00pm) until Saturday, 11/28/2026 (11:59pm)
Teen 1 & 2 & Dance Team Rehearsal	Saturday, 12/19/2026 (9:00pm – 12:00pm at WHRHS)
Winter Showcase Show Date	Saturday, 12/19/2026 (4:00pm at WHRHS)

Tickets & Sales

Tickets go on sale on Friday, November 13, at 6:00pm. You can purchase tickets online by pasting the following link into your browser: **https://buy.tututix.com/dancedimensionstudio** and select your seats**. (This link will also be available on the studio website)** You will not be able to access the link prior to that date and time. You can also purchase tickets at the studio by cash or check at 6pm on 11/13/2026. Tickets are $25 each. There will be tickets available at the door, but we strongly recommend purchasing them in advance. Children 2 and under sitting on parent's lap are not required to purchase a seat.

Online ticket sales ends Saturday, 11/28/2026, at 11:59pm. Keep any receipt or email confirmation until we can give you the physical ticket for the show. They will email you an electronic ticket confirmation similar to many sports and entertainment venues.

Auditorium Layout / Recommendations on Selecting Seats

There are two sections of the auditorium:

- Orchestra (closer to stage; rows A - M)
- Balcony (further from stage; rows AA - SS)

The seats are numbered in the following manner (If Facing the Stage)

- Right Section (Even Number Pattern 2, 4, 6...)
- Center Section (Numbered 101, 102, 103….)
- Left Section (Odd Number Pattern: 1, 3, 5…)

When selecting your seats, we strongly recommend looking for seats from the middle of the auditorium working your way out. It is a much better view and experience for your entire family to be a few rows back and watch the show from the center than watch it far off to the side of the auditorium even if the seats are several rows closer. Some of the seats on the far sides of the orchestra section have a portion of the stage cut off and we would be saddened if anyone in your family was unable to see your child on stage.

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When You Arrive / What to Expect

This event is different from our June recital in that it is in a sense is a "mini recital;" a performance to help make stage performing comfortable for the new and younger students in a fun yet professional atmosphere. The showcase's mission is showing all the hard work and progress our performers have made up this point in the year, celebrate the holiday season and most importantly, raise money and give back to the community.

Like our June Recital, the program will be available electronically and emailed to the family email on record during the week leading to the show. There will not be any physical copies of the program at the show.

Holiday Collections and Fundraising

In the auditorium, our studio is accepting donations for our community food pantries (**Abington, Whitman**) - Canned Food, Prepared Dinners, Side Dishes & Toiletries (Please Check Dates on perishables. Food pantries also take monetary donations. Checks should be made out to **St. Vincent DePaul Society/Abington Food Pantry** or **Whitman Food Pantry**)

We also will be collecting toys for the **Whitman Area Toy Drive**. Any support is appreciated and the organizers for the toy drive have reported that ages 12 - 17 are typically the hardest for the toy drive to collect for. For more information, visit their Facebook Page, **www.facebook.com/whitmantoydrive**

National Dance Foundation Ambassadors are collecting gift cards for **Wonderfund Massachusetts**, an organization whose mission is to bring magic and meaning of childhood into the lives of children that have been impacted by trauma. These cards can be dropped off with Captains Tabitha Healey or Sallie Hernandez or the lead teacher of your child's class now through 12/19/2026. For more information on this organization, visit **https://www.wonderfundma.org/**

Lastly, the **Dance Dimension Dance Team** will also be having their annual **Lottery Fundraiser**: Win basket of $1,000 worth of MA lottery tickets. Raffles are $10 Each and Drawing will take place during Showcase right before the finale. Raffles will be available through intermission.

Studio Merchandise for Sale

Dance Dimension studio apparel will be available for purchase for those interested in any last-minute gift ideas for students or family members. Studio T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Pants are available for sale while supplies list.

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Rehearsal Info

Teen & Dance Team Rehearsal, Saturday, 12/19/2026, 9:00am – 12:00pm

All Teen 1 and Teen 2 dancers (Wednesday Afternoon) as well as our dance team students will have rehearsal scheduled at the high school in the morning of 12/19/26 and should make sure they are available. All students should arrive black leggings, black tank, hair in low center ponytale.

For All Other Classes (Tiny Toes, Preschool, Beginner, Elementary)

The normally scheduled classes at the studio will be their primary rehearsal. Prior to the start of the show, we may have the little ones have a quick trip on the stage to see the space and stage lines but otherwise, they will arrive at the school for check in at 3:15pm on 12/19/2026.

Show Schedule, 12/19/2026 (Estimated Times Below)

@3:15 PM	Performers Check In
@3:30 PM	Auditorium Opens for Guests
@4:00 PM	2024 Winter Showcase Begins
@5:30 PM	Intermission (Dismissal of Preschool and Beginner Classes) - Estimated
@6:30 PM	Fundraising Drawing; Finale; Estimated End of Showcase
	(Anticipated end of show 7:00pm)

Costuming for Classes at Showcase

The 2026 Showcase T-Shirt will be given to students in advance of the show as they will wear them during the Abington Tree Lighting Celebration on 12/5/2026. (more info to follow) The class costumes (for classes below) for the showcase are holiday or seasonal pajama bottoms and the 2026 Winter Showcase Tee. It is expected that costuming is not faded, ripped and in excellent condition. Shoes must be the ones that are on our studio's dress code. The details of the shoes and any specific hair/make-up instructions will be sent out about a week and half before the show, otherwise they are listed below. Dance Team Showcase Costumes will be worn during the nutcracker finale.

Hair, Make-Up & Jewelry

Stage makeup is used to enhance facial features. Without make-up children may look too pale. Please have children in make-up when they arrive to the school. Make-up can only consist of the following:

Girls	Eyes: Pink or peach eye shadow, brown/black eyeliner, mascara (optional)
	Face: Light foundation, pink or peach tone blush only, Lips: Pink or peach lipstick
Boys	Optional. See "girls" requirements if applicable.
Team	Eyes: False Eyelashes, smokey eye (See tutorial on Facebook)
	Face: Skin Tone Foundation, pink or peach tone blush only, red lipstick

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Hair is to be worn with low center ponytail and holiday bow (any style or holiday color bow….it just needs to be secure). No necklaces, rings, or bracelets for any performers is permitted.

Elementary thru Teen 2 as well as Dance Team students must wear performance earrings (clip on or pierced). For our younger performers (Preschool – Beginner) if the hair is too short for a ponytail, please secure out of face the best you can. If your child has their ears pierced, a small clear rhinestone or stud earring is O.K.

Frequently Asked Questions

How should the students arrive at the Winter Showcase?

All performers should come dressed in costume, shoes & make-up at the scheduled time. Children may bring a labeled bottle of water backstage with them only as well as a nut-free snack that will not damage or stain costumes (crackers, dried fruit, etc.) There are multiple students with severe nut allergies. Please make sure your child's belongings are clearly labeled and in a bag. We are not responsible for anything that is lost or stolen.

Who is backstage supervising and assisting the students?

All Backstage Moms, student alumni and Stage Crew are selected by the studio director and have been subjected to a CORI and SORI review. In most instances, backstage moms are responsible for a class that their own child is in. Many have assisted us for many years and play a huge part in having the show go smoothly. Parents are not allowed backstage before or during the show. No one other that our staff and the performers will be permitted backstage, without exception.

Why aren't parents or family permitted backstage prior to or during the show?

To ensure that all our students are safe at all times, we do not allow parents or family backstage prior to or during the show. Having adults backstage can cause distractions and delays for the performers as well as staff. Not controlling who is backstage can also create a potential safety risk for our students as well. If there is any issue that needs to be brought to your attention prior to or during the show, you will be immediately notified.

What are the students doing while they are waiting backstage?

The older students are very busy changing and preparing for the next performance. The little ones are occupied by our dedicated and experienced backstage moms by playing games and singing songs or whatever else they can think of to keep the little ones entertained.

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Can I take photographs during the show?

There is **NO flash** photography permitted, without exception. Flash photography affects the lighting and quality of the show, is a distraction to the performers, the audience, and our crew. If you take photos, please turn off flash and do not have it been a distraction of any other audience members. We do not have a videographer at this event. We ask that if you are recording your child's performance from your seat, we ask that you please do not block or disrupt other guests' view or experience.

Food/Beverages

Per the school administration, food and colored beverages are not permitted in the auditorium.

Phones

We ask that all cell phones are turned to silent mode or off during the performance. If you need to use your phone, please go to the lobby.

If You Need to Get up in the Middle of the Show.

If you need to leave the performing arts center for any reason (restroom, phone call, etc.), please try to wait until the conclusion of the dance routine. Upon returning, we are asking guests to wait until the end of a routine or scene, wait until the blackout and then return to their seats to not disturb other

guests show experience. There will be an usher at the entrance to permit guests to return to their seats between routines. Child carriages are not permitted in the aisles by fire code. Any parents with carriages are welcome to leave them at the back of the performing arts center near the entrance.

Masks/ Covid-19

If you are experiencing any flu or covid-like symptoms we ask that you not come to the event.

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Auditorium Entrance at Whitman Hanson High School



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Flower Orders

For those interested, you can pre-order flowers for your performer and have them ready for the show. Parent feedback in past is that they love the quality and convenience of having their flower order waiting for them when they arrive. Proceeds from sales to benefit Apache Way Rescue Farm in Dighton MA. For more information on their mission, visit **https://www.facebook.com/apachewayrescuefarminc**

Pre-Order Link: www.floracause.com/dancedimension

This link will also be available on the studio website

