

Columbia Dance *Nutcracker* 2026
Oregon Trail & Sugar Plumeria Attendant
Important Rehearsal and Performance Information

Questions? Contact us at 360-737-1922 or info@columbiadance.org

THEATER STAGE DOOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP:

- Your child's tech/dress rehearsals and performances (December 14-20) will take place at Skyview Concert Hall at Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139th Street, Vancouver.
- Upon turning into Skyview, take an immediate right into the staff parking lot (don't go around the loop). The stage door entrance is there, not at the main entrance. Parking spots labeled "staff" are available to Columbia Dance after 3:45pm. Please do not park in any spots marked "reserved."
- All dancers must enter & exit through the stage door entrance to the theater. Dancers need to enter and leave the theater with street clothes over their leotard and tights and without stage makeup on. Parents must wait outside of the stage door. Parents will not be able to go to the dressing rooms unless they are signed up to volunteer in the dressing rooms at that time.
- All dancers must sign in and out at the stage door entrance.
- If your child is unable to attend a dress rehearsal or performance due to illness or emergency, please call/text Becky Moore's cell phone 925-437-2929.

THEATER & DRESSING ROOM ETIQUETTE:

- **Recording Devices:** no video or photographic equipment is permitted at any rehearsal or performance. Cell phones are not allowed in rehearsals or in the backstage area of the theater. **Photos and videos are strictly prohibited in the dressing rooms** (as dancers are changing into costume). We will have a designated area for dancers to grab a picture with their friends in costume.
- **Tidiness:** space is extremely limited backstage. All dancers are expected to respect the other people around them and clean up after themselves. No food is permitted in the dressing room. We will have a lunch room for the children to eat in.
- **Ticket Reminder:** All audience members must have a ticket. Performers who wish to sit in the audience for a performance of the alternate cast must have a ticket for that performance.
- **Dress Rehearsals** are closed to observers. Parents are not permitted to watch these rehearsals. We want to keep the kids' nerves to a minimum and keep you surprised at the real performance.

MAKEUP & DANCE BAG CHECKLIST:

- **Dance Bag Checklist:** All dancers need to be sure that they bring the following items with them each time they attend a *Nutcracker* Tech/Dress rehearsal or performance. **Dancers need to have a single satchel or duffle-type bag that is able to hold all of their belongings.** Please put your child's name on his/her belongings (especially tights and dance shoes). Dancers should always have their class uniform on when they arrive.

Hairspray & Gel	Warm comfortable cover-up, water bottle & healthy snacks
Brush & Comb	Shoes/Slippers/Socks - to wear over their ballet slippers to keep dirt off the stage
Ballet uniform	A quiet activity (deck of cards, coloring, book, etc)
- **Level 1 - 4 Makeup:** Stage makeup will be provided in the dressing rooms by our trained volunteers. Dancers should arrive without makeup on. Parents will not be permitted backstage.
- **Costume and Hair:** Oregon Trail and Sugar Plum Attendants will need to arrive with their hair neatly combed. Information about tights and shoes will be given to you by Louise at a later date.
- **No nail polish or jewelry for dress rehearsals or performances.**

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Rehearsals at Columbia Dance

Oregon Trail and Sugar Plumeria Attendant

*****Please note: from December 7-20 your child ONLY has Nutcracker rehearsals, no regular classes*****

Normal Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE

- Fridays October 9- December 4 (no rehearsal Nov 27) Oregon Trail 6:45-7:30pm
- Friday, October 23rd Oregon Trail Costume Fitting 4:45-6:15pm (during class time)
- Saturdays November 7, 14, 21 Sugar Plumeria Attendant & Oregon Trail 3:30-4:30pm
- No rehearsal on November 27 or 28
- Saturday, December 5 Sugar Plumeria Attendant and Oregon Trail 3:30-4:30pm

Monday, December 7th and Tuesday, December 8th

DAY OFF

Wednesday December 9th and Thursday, December 10th

Act 2 Rough Dress Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE

Important Information:

- Costumes will be worn by all cast members. Students need to bring their class uniform, performance tights, and shoes.
- Students should arrive with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.

Wednesday, December 9th: CAST A ONLY

4:30-7:30pm Oregon Trail
4:45-7:15 Sugar Plumeria Attendant

Thursday, December 10th: CAST B ONLY

4:30-7:30pm Oregon Trail
4:45-7:15pm Sugar Plumeria Attendant

Friday, December 11th

DAY OFF

Saturday, December 12th

Full Ballet Run-Through Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE

Important Information:

- No costumes or performance hair for this rehearsal. Students can wear any leotard, tights, and ballet slippers.

Saturday, December 12th: CAST A ONLY

12:15-2:30 Oregon Trail & Attendant

Saturday, December 12th: CAST B ONLY

4:15-6:30pm Oregon Trail & Attendant

Sunday, December 13th

DAY OFF

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CALENDAR OF PERFORMANCE WEEK EVENTS

Rehearsals/Performances **at Skyview**

Oregon Trail and Sugar Plumeria Attendant

Monday, December 14th
DAY OFF

Tuesday, December 15th and Wednesday, December 16th
Tech/Dress Rehearsal at THEATER (PHOTOS TAKEN!)

- Students should be signed in at stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on under street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.

CAST A

Tuesday, December 15th:

6:00-9:15pm Oregon Trail and Attendant

CAST B

Wednesday, December 16th:

6:00-9:15pm Oregon Trail and Attendant

Thursday, December 17th
DAY OFF

Friday, December 18th
School Performances at the THEATER

- Students should be signed in at stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on under street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.

CAST A

Friday, December 18th:

9:15am-1:30pm Oregon Trail & Attendant
(bring a sack lunch)

CAST B

Friday, December 18th:

5:15pm	Sugar Plumeria Attendant arrive
5:30pm	Oregon Trail arrive
6:00pm	Performance
7:00pm	Dancers not in Act II dismissed
8:00pm	All dancers dismissed

Saturday, December 19th and Sunday, December 20th
Public Performances at the THEATER

- Students should be signed in at stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on under street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.
- On days when students have 2 performances, they can either remain at the theater and eat in the lunch room or leave for a quick break with their parent being sure to sign back in by the appointed time.

CAST A

Saturday, December 19th:

12:15pm	Sugar Plumeria Attendant arrive
12:30pm	Oregon Trail arrive
1:00pm	Performance
3:00pm	All dancers on break
4:15pm	Sugar Plumeria Attendant arrive
4:30pm	Oregon Trail arrive
5:00pm	Performance
7:00pm	All dancers dismissed

CAST B

Sunday, December 20th:

12:15pm	Sugar Plumeria Attendant arrive
12:30pm	Oregon Trail arrive
1:00pm	Performance
3:00pm	All dancers on break
4:15pm	Sugar Plumeria Attendant arrive
4:30pm	Oregon Trail arrive
5:00pm	Performance
7:00pm	All dancers dismissed