Rapids School of Performing Arts

DRESS CODE

Ballet

Combo through 4th grade students will be required to wear full soled leather ballet slippers, and 5th grade through advanced students will be required to wear split sole canvas ballet slippers with laces tucked in. Tights and leotards should be worn to class at all times. Students may elect to wear warm up garments such as leg warmers and sweater wraps, as well as ballet skirts or solid colored biker shorts. Hair should be pulled back in a bun if length allows, or secured back away from the dancer's face for shorter hairstyles.

Tap, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Contemporary Modern

Students should wear appropriate dance apparel such as biker shorts, capris or full length yoga pants, or leggings. Tank tops, t-shirts and leotards may be worn with suitable warm ups. Tap and jazz shoe style will be determined by level. Combo through 4th graders will wear patent leather (shiny) taps, while 5th graders through Advanced tappers will wear oxford lace up tap shoes. Contemporary modern class does not require shoes. Musical Theatre class will be conducted barefoot, though footwear for recitals will be based on each individual performance piece. Hair needs to be pulled back out of their faces.

Hip Hop

Students will be required to wear sneakers or specific hip hop performance shoes (depending on recital dance, uniform shoes might be ordered). Dancers should wear comfortable clothing they can move freely in.

Tumbling

Acrobatic tumbling students should wear leotards or skin tight tank tops with shorts/leggings at all times. This is for their safety and the accuracy of our instructors spotting tricks. Tumblers may wear optional tight spandex shorts or leggings over their leotards. Tumblers should NOT wear tights or shoes of any sort. Hair needs to be pulled back out of their faces.