



Garden City Ballet

the  
**nutcracker**

## 2019 Performance Agreement

In order to produce the best Nutcracker possible, and in consideration of the safety and enjoyment of all performers, Garden City Ballet depends on every dancer and family to make a full commitment.

*I understand that as a performer in The Nutcracker, I am/my child is a representative of GCB.*

*As such, I/my child \_\_\_\_\_ (name of dancer), agree/s to:*

\_\_\_\_\_ (All parents and dancers — please review together, then initial each expectation) Attend all scheduled rehearsals. This includes clearing school-related and family-related conflicts during “tech week” in December because **all rehearsals the full week prior to performances are required for every cast member**. All (6) Nutcracker performances are also required for every cast member.

\_\_\_\_\_ Be warmed up and ready to dance on time, wearing appropriate attire to **every** rehearsal: leotard (or dance shirt for boys), tights, ballet/character/pointe shoes, hair in neat bun (or for boys, off of face). Party Scene adults wear clothing appropriate for waltzing, soft-sole black jazz shoes for men, and black character shoes with strap and 1-3” heel for ladies.

\_\_\_\_\_ Notify the Artistic and Administrative Directors as early as possible **prior** to an absence.

\_\_\_\_\_ Act professionally and behave well (during rehearsals, while waiting in lobby, onstage and backstage, and in dressing rooms) — maintaining a positive attitude throughout *Nutcracker* season.

\_\_\_\_\_ Act as a positive role model and set a good example. (For older dancers especially, please be inclusive of younger children, and monitor your conversations, behavior, and language.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Tell an adult (parent, choreographer, Director) if any concerns or problems arise that are affecting your ability to have a safe and positive experience with Garden City Ballet.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Protocol for Addressing Poor Behavior** - 1st response - The adult immediately involved will speak directly to the dancer and review expectations for behavior. The Artistic Director will be notified. 2nd response - If the issue persists, the Artistic Director and parent(s) will be notified. 3rd response - A parent/guardian will be required to attend all remaining rehearsals/performances to supervise.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Attendance Policy** - Attendance will be taken. At the discretion of the Artistic Director, any dancer may be replaced for missing one or more rehearsals. All rehearsals after Thanksgiving and during “tech week” in December are required. All Nutcracker performances are required.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Wellness Policy** - GCB has a zero tolerance policy for illegal use or possession of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and vaping products. The consequence of breaking this policy may include up to a one-year suspension from Garden City Ballet.

Dancer (18 or older) or Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_