



RECITAL / STAGE MAKEUP

Because of the bright lights on-stage a performer without makeup looks pale, washed out and sickly. Makeup allows the emotional quality of a performance to shine through. Makeup is a very important part of costuming!

Makeup for the stage is different than makeup for regular use. The goal is to create a natural and age-appropriate look when viewed from the distance of an audience.

GIRLS (Intro B/T/J, Intro to Music Th. & All level 1 classes & up)

Powder, lipstick, lip-liner, eye-liner, eye-shadow, blush & mascara
Level 2 & up should also wear foundation

GIRLS (All Creative Dance, Toddler-Bop, Hip-Bop, Pre-hop)

Light red lip gloss, light blush & mascara

BOYS

A small amount of blush on cheeks

Please follow the guidelines below when applying stage make-up:

1. FOUNDATION & POWDER

- Level 2 classes and up, wear light foundation and a powder that is slightly darker than you'd typically wear.
- All dancers, wear a light powder to reduce shine from stage lights.

2. LIP LINER & LIPSTICK

- Use a light red or neutral tone liner that is slightly darker than the child's natural lip color.
- Dancers should wear a flattering shade of red lipstick (not pink or fire engine red!)
- For Creative Dance students, a pale red lip gloss is perfect.

3. EYE-LINER

- Use brown or black. You do not need to line the child's entire eye. $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way in is typically enough for both the upper and lower lids.
- Do not blend/smug liner. Make sure to get the outer corners of the eyes, but *do not* draw long "wings" coming off the corners of the eye.

4. BLUSH

- Wear a light pink blush that goes from the apples of the cheeks towards the eye temples.
- Apply slightly heavier than you would on a normal day, but please blend so no "streaks" are formed.

5. MASCARA

- Apply black mascara after applying all other make-up.

6. EYESHADOW

- Use eye-shadow to further highlight the eye by placing a darker shadow (like the color cocoa) in the crease of the eye, plus a very light, reflective shadow/neutral tan color on each eyelid and right underneath each eyebrow.