

# CDMS *Music News*

CREATIVE Dance & Music Studio

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## Preparing for the Music Holiday Showcase



Our performers and Instructors are busy getting ready for our upcoming Holiday Showcase Recital on Sunday, December 7! By this point, those participating are working hard to polish and perfect their performances (see Practice Tips below!)

Recommended attire for our Holiday Showcase is "nice-casual": nice-looking pants, shirts with or without ties, dresses, or skirts. Suits and more formal attire are fine too! We will take a group photo following each show.

Showtimes will be posted mid-November and will range between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., with each show lasting approximately 1 hour plus a short reception following. We can't wait to hear everyone's performances!

### UPCOMING DATES

**Nov 17-22**  
Parent Peek Week

**November 22**  
Music Make-up Class  
3:30-4:30 p

**Nov 24-29**  
Thanksgiving Break

**Nov 25**  
Mrs. Jen's makeup day

**December 7**  
Music Holiday  
Showcase, times TBA

**December 15-20**  
Music Parent Peek &  
Participation Week

**December 20**  
Music Make-up Class  
3:30-4:30 p

**Dec 22-Jan 3**  
Christmas Break

## Music Parent Participation Week

Please join us for our Music Parent Participation Week before we break for the holidays! Between **December 15-20**, a parent is welcome to join us during lessons and take part in the fun! No musical experience necessary, but if you have an instrument you'd like to bring, please do!



## CDMS Food Drive November 10-15

Please bring canned goods to help stock the Gretna Food Bank for the holidays!

## Recital Preparation Tips

Performing in our Holiday Showcase recital is a lot of fun! Our Musicians get a chance to share what they've been learning since August with their family members and friends, and hear what others have been working on as well. It's also good preparation for our Spring Recital, which takes place on a larger stage.

Here are some pointers for first-time performers:

- Play your recital piece at least once each day.
- Practice performing: once you start your piece, try not to stop and correct any mistakes, and play through to the end.
- Play your piece in front of your family and friends as often as you can.
- Practice standing and taking a bow after playing.
- Try playing from memory! It will help you learn your music better.

## Studio Reminders

If you have a dancer in your family, check your revue info to stay up to date!