

CALLING ALL FLOAT RIDERS, BANNER HOLDERS, and ROCKSTAR PARENTS!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Parent Volunteers:

We have a dancing bear, gingerbread man, reindeer and snowman costume that we need a dancing parent to volunteer to wear for each parade. If interested, please email the office with which (or better yet, both!) parade you're available for. We also need volunteers for both parades to walk the sidelines as we travel through the streets. Please email us if you're available to walk with us as well!

Banner Holders (dancers ages 12 and up):

Banner Holders will be responsible for carrying our glittering, candy covered CDP Christmas Banner with a bright smiling face for our audience while Float riders will be charming the crowd with their smiles and waves. Sign up for both of these positions in the hallway! Banner holders must be 12 or older and will be required to wear black leggings, boots, and Sugarplum T-shirt.

Float riders: ONLY Cary Parade (dancers ages 3-7)

Float riders will be required to wear a Sugarplum dance costume (if you do not have one, we will supply), light make-up and hair styled special for the event (ie: curls and a sparkly hair clip or crown) -- be sure to layer under your costumes according to the weather (bring a blanket if you'd like!). Riders are also required to provide a basket of individually wrapped candy to toss out to the crowd.



COSTUME RETURN:

Sugarplum Costumes should be returned to CDP **CLEANED AND DRIED COMPLETELY beginning the week of December 10th. Please drop off your entire costume in a LABELED bag (you can reuse the bag it was distributed in) with your child's name written on a piece of paper in the bag. Dancers will keep their Sugarplum T-shirt :)**

CDP SUGARPLUMS 2018

Cary Dance Productions Christmas Parade

REHEARSAL DATES:

Practices:

October 13:	9:30-12:30	CDP
October 20:	9:30-12:30	CDP
October 27:	9:30-12:30	CDP
November 3:	9:30-12:30	CDP
November 10:	9:30-12:30	St. Paul's
*November 17:	9:30-12:30	St. Paul's
Float riders attend this rehearsal 11:30-12:30 at St. Paul's		
*November 30	4:30-8:30	St. Paul's

Bring dinner :)

Practices in Bold are MANDATORY

Bring light up sneakers to practice

Parades:

December 1st at 5:00pm – Downtown Apex

Arrival time: 4:00pm

December 8th at 2:00pm – Downtown Cary

Arrival time: 1:00pm



For practices at **St. Paul's**, dress in layers according to the weather. In the event of rain, please check our Instagram/Facebook status for instructions (we will either practice in the church fellowship hall, if available, or the rehearsal will be moved to CDP).

St. Paul's – 221 Union Street Cary NC 27511

GENERAL PARADE INFO.

Each year, CDP spreads Christmas magic by participating in both the Apex and Cary Christmas Parades.

The theme for our parade is "THE CDP SUGARPLUMS". We usually have over 100 dancers representing CDP!

DANCERS MAY ONLY MISS UP TO 2 REHEARSALS

For both parades, we are in need of 20 parent volunteers to walk with us throughout, to keep an eye on our Sugarplums. We also need volunteers to dress up in our fabulous Christmas costumes (reindeer, snowman, dancing bear, gingerbread man). Please sign up in the front lobby if you are available! **Dancers must be at least 8 years old to participate.**

PARADE COST AND COSTUME:

The cost to participate is \$75 due October 15th (this includes costume rental, t-shirt embellishment, accessories, and rehearsals). Dancers are to provide their shoes (we will be using light-up hover kick sneakers - links coming soon!), black booty shorts, and Caramel tights (same required for recital style -- these should be purchased through our CDP ONLINE BOUTIQUE). In the event of cold weather on the day of the parade, layer under your outfit accordingly.

Please wear light make-up and lipgloss; hair (high bun with donut), and your company earrings (specific style TBD)—we all want to look the same on the day of the parade! If it is VERY cold, bring a coat and when it is time to start the parade, we'll throw them in the back of our truck or on the float and feel free to put hand warmers in your gloves!

PLEASE bring your parade shoes (TBA) to parade practice on November 17th and 30th, in a bag. We will practice in them for a little while. Parade shoes should not be worn prior to parade practice so they are kept clean. Please clean your shoes before each performance :)

PARADE DAY INFORMATION:

The Apex Rotary and Cary Jaycees will assign us a line-up # in each parade. Once we are given that information, we will pass it along via email as well as post it at the studio, on our website and Facebook page. When you arrive to line up, look for our number and other CDP Sugarplums!

AS SOON AS our group finishes dancing, please come and pick your child up at the end of the parade. Our staff will be busy congratulating them for a wonderful performance and packing up our supplies. For those who have children on the float (Cary only), they will all be brought from the float to meet the rest of our group for a group photo-you may pick them up there. Photo location will be on the stairs of the Cary Arts Center.

Show Your Spirit!

We invite you all to **WEAR YOUR SUGARPLUM COSTUME TO SCHOOL** Friday before each Parade! Invite your teachers and friends and show them your dancing talent :)

Take a picture sporting your CDP pride, email to info@carydance.com and we'll post it on our Facebook page!

APEX PARADE INFO:

Saturday, December 1st, at 5:00pm (NO FLOAT). Dancers/Banner Holders/Volunteers/Walkers/Volunteer Mascots arrive by **4:00pm!**

Location for line up (details subject to change):

The beginning of the parade will line up on Ambergate Station off of Hunter Street, diagonally across from the Apex Town Hall. It can be accessed either from Apex Peakway or Hunter Street. We will announce our exact meeting location as soon as this information is made available to us.

CDP will end the Apex Parade in the parking lot behind Holland's Jewelers and Crescent State Bank. Please be there to pick up your dancer AS SOON AS we are finished dancing. NOT when the parade ends.

CARY PARADE INFO:

Saturday, December 8th at 2:00pm. Dancers, Banner Holders and Volunteers will need to arrive at Urban Park by **1:00pm**. Float riders are to arrive at **1:30pm** across the street from Urban Park (where the float will be located). Details subject to change.



****If it is snowing or raining on the day of the parade please check the website for information regarding our plan of action. CDP will not dance in the rain****