

The Nutcracker Make-Up and Hair Instructions Cherub, Angel, Polichinelle

All Ladies:

- ❖ Make-up for *The Nutcracker* performances should enhance the children, so they do not look washed out on stage. All children must wear light red blush, lipstick, black mascara and if necessary, a little brown eye shadow in the crease of the eyelids. Fair-haired children should have their eyebrows penciled in with brown eyebrow pencil.
- ❖ **Please put the child's costume on before applying the lipstick. Remove lipstick before taking off the costume!!**

Cherub:

- **Hair:** Pull back the child's hair off the face in a $\frac{3}{4}$ ponytail secured with a ponytail holder the same color as their hair. No bangs. Curl hair into ringlets. Secure the crown through the loops inside the crown with bobby pins the same color as their hair. Here is a video link to help with preparing curls for the performances:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IfWP-KvDWYI>
- **Specific Make-up:** Wear Light Red Lipstick.
- **Please Purchase:** Capezio Ultra Soft Transition Tight Seamless #1816 in Ballet Pink OR Suffolk Convertible Tight Seamless #5020 in Ballet Pink. Please have an extra pair of tights for each performance. White camisole leotard OR White bike shorts and white camisole tank top to wear over the tights.
- **Shoes:** Pink ballet flats.
- **DANCER RULE:** Do not take off your costume until your lipstick is removed.

Angel:

- **Hair:** Pull back the child's hair off the face in a $\frac{3}{4}$ ponytail secured with a ponytail holder the same color as their hair. No bangs. Curl hair into ringlets. Secure the crown through the loops inside the crown with bobby pins the same color as their hair. Here is a video link to help with preparing curls for the performances:
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- **Specific Make-up:** Wear Light Red Lipstick.
- **Please Purchase:** Capezio Ultra Soft Transition Tight Seamless #1816 in Ballet Pink OR Suffolk Convertible Tight Seamless #5020 in Ballet Pink. Please have an extra pair of tights for each performance. Please purchase a nude skin tone camisole leotard & replace clear plastic straps with skin tone straps to be worn over your tights.
- **Shoes:** Pink ballet flats.
- **DANCER RULE:** Do not take off your costume until your lipstick is removed.

Polichinelle:

- **Hair:** Pull hair up into two high pigtails at the crown of your head height secured with ponytail holders the same color as their hair. Curl the hair into a lot of bouncy ringlets. No bangs. Pom Pom hair pieces should be secured at the base of the pigtails with several hairpins and bobby pins that are the same color as the child's hair.
- **Specific Make-up:** Wear Bright Red Lipstick. We will supply pink felt circles for your cheeks. Please purchase eye lash glue to attach felt circles to your cheeks.
- **Please Purchase:** Capezio Ultra Soft Transition Tight Seamless #1816 in Ballet Pink OR Suffolk Convertible Tight Seamless #5020 in Ballet Pink. Please have an extra pair of tights for each performance. Please purchase a nude skin tone camisole leotard & replace clear plastic straps with skin tone straps to be worn over your tights.
- **Shoes:** Pink ballet flats.
- **DANCER RULE:** Do not take off your costume until your lipstick is removed.



Cherub/Angel Example



Polichinelle Example