

## 2024 Character Information

Groups in the Davis Children's Nutcracker are sorted by age and age range. The chart below lists group age ranges, rehearsal dates and days, rehearsal times, the type of dance/performance involved in each group, and costume information.

The Davis Children's Nutcracker provides portions of participants costume for the production. We ask each family to provide more personal items like leotards, tights and shoes or ballet slippers when needed. White and black leotards and white, black, and pink ballet slippers will be sold at the Veterans Memorial Center starting, **Wednesday, November 20 at 4:00pm** and during each rehearsal following that date. Leotards and ballet slippers will be sold for **\$20.00 each**. ALL participants should wear white or neutral under clothing (tank top/shorts) for changing. Please bring a bag with your participants name on it to keep all their items together.

If your participant wears a leotard for their costume, please have them come to rehearsals December 9 - 10 (dress rehearsals) and December 11 - 15 (live shows) in their leotards. *Dance tights are recommended rather than 'pantyhose' as dance tights are thicker, last longer, and usually don't snag.*

Participants will need their costumes starting Monday, December 2 or Tuesday, December 3.

All costumes are subject to change.

**"\*" Indicates group costumes that include headwear**

Groups	Ages	Rehearsal Dates	Rehearsal Days	Rehearsal Times	Performance Description	Costume Information (Family/Participant Provides)
Mother Marshmallow's Sweets	6	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	4:00-4:45p	Creative Movement	<u>White</u> Tights, long sleeve leotard, ballet slippers
Snowflake Dancers	6 - 7	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	5:00-5:45p	Easy dance, ballet inspired	<u>White</u> Tights, long sleeve leotard, ballet slippers
Teddy Bears*	6 - 7	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	4:00-4:45p	Easy dance, creative	<u>White</u> Tights <u>Black</u> Ballet slippers
Mice*	6 - 8	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	4:00-4:45p	Creative movement, battle with Tin Soldiers	<u>White</u> Tights & turtle neck <u>Black</u> Ballet slippers
Little Party Guests	6 - 8	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	5:00-5:45p	Easy ballroom dance, may have some lines	<u>White</u> Girls: Tights and ballet slippers Boys: Shirt <u>Special Costume Needs</u> Boys: Wear tie, slacks, and dark shoes (NO athletic footwear)
Tin Soldiers*	6 - 8	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	4:00-4:45p	Creative movement, battle with Mice	<u>White</u> T-Shirt <u>Special Costume Needs</u> Dark socks and shoes or ballet slippers

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Candy Cane Dancers	7 - 9	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	4:00-4:45p	Active dance, with jumping, leaps and kicks	<u>Black</u> Girls: Tights and ballet slippers Boys: Ballet slippers, turtleneck, tights
Dancing Cats*	7 - 9	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	4:00-4:45p	Easy dance, ballet inspired	<u>Black</u> Long sleeve leotard
Dancing Dolls	8 - 9	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	4:00-4:45p	Easy dance, ballet inspired	<u>White</u> Sleeveless leotard or tank top and tights  <u>Black</u> Ballet slippers
Gnomes*	8 - 10	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	5:00-5:45p	Easy dance, creative movement	<u>Black</u> T-shirt, socks, and tennis shoes
Festival Dancers	8 - 10	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	4:00-4:45p	Easy dance, partner/group dance, use of prop while dancing	<u>White</u> Boys: Long sleeve shirt, dark pants, shoes  <u>Black</u> Girls: Long sleeve leotard, tights, ballet slippers
Jeweled Dancers	9 - 10	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	4:00-4:45p	Easy dance, both partnered and group movements, carrying some props	<u>Black</u> Girls: Sleeveless leotard (no high neck or spaghetti strap), ballet slippers Boys: Sleeveless tank top
Flower Dancers	9 - 10	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	4:00-4:45p	Ballet dance, some ballet experience required	<u>White</u> Long sleeve leotard  <u>Special Costume Needs</u> Pink ballet slippers
Beach Dancers	10 - 12	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	5:00-5:45p	Active dance, partnered and group movements	<u>Special Costume Needs</u> Girls: Tan or black spandex shorts Boys: Khaki shorts
Big Party Guests	10 - 12	11/13 - 20 11/25 12/2 - 4	Mondays & Wednesdays	5:00-5:45p	Ballroom dance, may have some lines	<u>White</u> Girls: Tights  <u>Black</u> Girls: Ballet slippers  <u>Special Costume Needs</u> Boys: Long sleeve shirt, dark shoes (NO athletic footwear)

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Swing Dancers	10 - 12	11/12 - 21 12/3 - 5	Tuesdays & Thursdays	5:00-5:45p	West Coast Swing dance inspired with partnered and group movements	<u>White</u> Boys: T-shirt  <u>Black</u> Boys: Slacks and shoes  <u>Special Costume Needs</u> Girls: Short white socks and black "Mary Jane" shoes or ballet slippers
Leads - Clara, Prince*, Mouse King/Queen*, Sugar Plum Fairy*	10 - 12	11/12 - 21 11/25 12/2 - 5	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	4:00-6:00p	Speaking role	Full Costume Provided
Leads - Gnome King/Queen*, Forest Fairy*	10 - 12	11/12 - 21 11/25 12/2 - 5	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	4:00-6:00p	Speaking role	Full Costume Provided
Party Leads - Mother, Fritz, Drosselmeyer*, Nanny, Father, Grandmother*, Grandfather*, Narrator	10 - 12	11/12 - 21 11/25 12/2 - 5	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	4:00-6:00p	Speaking role	Full Costume Provided