

# **The Nutcracker Make-up, Costume & Hair Requirements for Dancers and Parents**

## **Make-up Requirements:**

- Each child should have their own make-up case & mirror, with their name on it!
- If you have been in past ECB productions, you may use the make-up you previously purchase.
- Apply make-up at home before arriving.
- Bring make-up case with you for re-application at the theater.

## **Costume & Hair Requirements:**

**Please read carefully and note that you may need to purchase specific items for you/your child's role. Do not delay as the performance is approaching rapidly.**

- All ballet shoes must be clean and have proper elastics sewn across the insteps.
- Strings must be tied and tucked in.
- Tights must be clean and run free.
- **Always** have an additional pair ready in case of a run or a snag.
- Please purchase the brands listed, including the specific colors and style so the dancers are uniform.
- If you wear a nude leotard under your costume, make sure the straps are securely attached to the costume. **NO clear plastic straps** should be used.
- Dancers may **NOT** wear jewelry (unless requested by the choreographer for a particular piece).
- Underpants should **NOT** be worn under leotards.
- Please have hair slicked back away from the face with hairspray or gel; **NO** wisps or bangs.
- Hair should be secured in a bun with hairnets and plenty of bobby pins that match hair color. Do not use any clips or barettes.
- If your child has short hair, please have the front pulled back & secured away from the face.

**\*\*\*\*\*Tights, camisoles, dance shoes and apparel can be found at Dancer's Outlet in Westbrook or East Lyme 860 399-9442 or 860 367-1491\*\*\*\*\***

## **Make-up, Costume & Hair Requirements by Character:**

**Please note: Special make-up requirements (i.e. whiskers, etc.) will be applied by volunteers at the theater. Red, felt stick-on cheeks will be provided with your costume.**

**RAT KING / JR. RATS / RATS**

Make-up: Wear heads.

Tights: *Capezio* Classical Pink # 9 mesh, seamed tights.

Shoes: Black jazz shoes.

Hair: Flat, medium/high bun with no part. See attached instruction sheet.