



Dear Parent of Southwest 5th grader,

The 5th grade students have been invited to attend a special performance of “The Nutcracker”, a ballet by Tchaikovsky. This performance will take place at the Durham Performing Arts Center on Friday, December 13, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. We will be viewing Act I of the famous ballet that has been redesigned especially for the 2013 season by the Carolina Ballet. The performance will include special effects, harness wire stunts, and a light show.

To prepare for this unique opportunity, we will be discussing ballet, Tchaikovsky, and “The Nutcracker’s” music and plot in music class for the next several weeks. This is considered the most famous ballet in the world, especially during the holiday season.

All 5th graders have been invited to attend this ballet with no ticket cost. However, a small fee is required to cover transportation costs. **Each student should bring in \$5.00 along with their medical form and permission slip to their classroom teacher by Friday, December 6, 2013.** Due to space constraints, no parents will be allowed to attend this performance.

I look forward to this wonderful experience and sharing the magic of “The Nutcracker” with your student. Thank you for all you do to support cultural arts and the Southwest Music Program.

Sincerely,

Nicole Onufer, Southwest Music Specialist
5th Grade Classroom Teachers

My student has permission to travel to Durham Performing Arts Center to attend a performance of The Nutcracker on Friday, December 13, 2013.

Student Name _____

Classroom Teacher’s Name _____

Parent Signature _____