



Santa Barbara Ballet Center

Official school of the Santa Barbara Festival Ballet

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Policies

2009-2010 Academic Year

TUITION

The Santa Barbara Ballet Center is more than dance classes: it is an educational institution. Tuition in the **professional** program (Ballet 1-8) is assessed as an **annual fee**. Payment for the **entire season (through June) is due** regardless of any classes missed just as any academic school you would attend. In order for the Ballet Center to continue to offer the finest classical training and continue to meet obligations, it is important that parents understand that our expenses are year round and are not lessened based on the number of students in class. Arrangements may be made to pay one annual payment, 4 quarterly payments, or broken into 10 payments due on the 15th of each month. If you choose to pay on the 15th of each month it is important to understand that your payment is not covering your current month of classes, but rather is one payment toward your annual fee. **Should you discontinue before the end of the term-tuition is still due.**

Tuition in the recreational program (creative-beginning ballet and beginning-intermediate teens) is due on the first of each month.

Adults may pay for classes as a single class or may purchase a block of 8 classes at a time.

Late fees of \$15.00 are assessed for any payment more than 5 days late. **Students more than 2 payments in arrears may not return to class until their account is current.**

MAKE-UP LESSONS-MISSED CLASSES

Please notify us when your child is ill or misses class for other reasons, especially for any prolonged absences. **No refund is given for classes missed and we do not pro-rate for prolonged absences**, but make-up lessons will be extended whenever possible.

TARDINESS

It is requested that you do your utmost to have your child in class on time. Children arriving late miss important information, are not properly warmed up and may be injured, and disrupt the class. Students arriving too late will be asked to watch.

Students may not arrive more than 15-20 minutes early for class as there is no adult supervision.

DRESS CODE-RESPECT YOUR ART


Hair

Girls: secured in a bun, short hair pinned securely, hair bands may be used. No hair should be loose around the face. Students should have a bag of hair ties, bobby pins and hairnets in the ballet bag. There will be a \$2.00 charge when students must use the center's hair supplies.

Boys: long hair tidy and secured back from the face. Short hair neatly combed.

Need a lesson in hair? Please ask - we will be glad to teach you.

Ballet Clothing

 We cannot teach you if we cannot see your body.

You will dance the way you dress. Discipline yourself to be always in uniform.
No leg warmers, no skirts except in rehearsal. No shorts!

Girls-Ballet 1-4: pink tights, pink shoes, blue leotard

Girls-Ballet 5-8: pink tights worn under the leotard, pink shoes, black leotard

Boys: White t-shirt or leotard, black tights, white socks and black shoes

Adults: Appropriate dance attire.

Modern Class-Dancers should have convertible tights-you may wear footless black tights over the leotard

PARKING

Parking is available on the street or in the city lot by the bus station. You may drop your older child at the bottom of the stairway at Ralph's. Please do not park anywhere in the surrounding lot. YOU WILL BE TOWED! Parking is not permitted for even 5 minutes to drop off your dancer. We apologize for the inconvenience but must respect and keep peace with the neighbors who own their lot and have all spaces assigned to their employees. Thank you for your cooperation.

CONSULTATION

Consultations are welcomed! If you have any concerns about your dancer's training, any upsets they may be experiencing, any thoughts you wish to express please feel free to make an appointment for a conference. *I want to hear from you!* You may also email me at pasdenise@aol.com.