



DANCE CENTER

2023/24 Curriculum and Term Fees Class Descriptions

Classical Ballet

Children's Ballet

Ballet/Jazz/Tap Combo class

An introduction to movement, music, and beginning ballet steps, jazz, and tap for ages 3-5 year-old. Class is 45 minutes once a week.

Level A

Transition from Pre-Ballet to a structured ballet class, which includes stretch, barre and center, learning positions, combinations, and ballet vocabulary. Curriculum requirements 1.5-hour class once a week. Recommended ages 5-7.

Level B

Builds on the technique learned in Level A and progresses to more advanced technique and combinations. Full curriculum requirements: 1.5-hour class twice a week. Enrollment with instructor approval. Recommended ages 7-8.

Level C

Intermediate level ballet class, which prepares the students for the advanced level classes, building on the technique learned in level B. Includes pre-pointe 3x/week to prepare the students for pointe shoes. Full Curriculum requirements: Ballet technique 3x/week, pre-pointe 3x/week. Total 6 hours a week. Enrollment with instructor approval.

Recommended options: Jazz, Contemporary, Character

Advanced Ballet Classes

Levels D/E

Full curriculum:

Level D: Ballet technique & Pre-Pointe or Pointe 4x/week; total 8.5 hours a week

With Performance Rehearsal 3x/week: 13.5 hours a week

Recommended options: Character, Contemporary, Jazz

Level E: Ballet technique & Pointe 5x/week. Total 11 hours a week

With Performance Rehearsal 3x/week: 16 hours a week

Recommended options: Character, Contemporary, Jazz

Pre-Professional Program

Requirements:

Level C: Ballet technique 3x/week, Pre-Pointe 3x/week, Seasonal Performance rehearsal or Variations 1x/week. Total 7 hours a week

Level D: Ballet technique 4x/week, Pre-Pointe or Pointe 4x/week; Character 1x/week, Performance rehearsal 3x/week. Total 14.5 hours a week

Recommended Options: Contemporary, Jazz

Level E: Ballet technique: 5x/week, Pointe 5x/week, Character 1x/week, Performance rehearsal 3x/week. Total 17 hours a week

Recommended Options: Contemporary, Jazz

Competition Company

VH Dance Center's ballet competition company will be participating in 2-3 competitions during the school year. Mini Competition team will participate in 1 local competition in the spring. Attendance at all assigned competitions is mandatory. Students are responsible for their own registration & costume fees. **Weekly rehearsals are during the school year, along with the full required curriculum for the dancer's level are mandatory for all team members.** Competition rehearsals are 1 hour/week for dances assigned at auditions, or 30 minutes/week for the mini team (ages 5-7). Solos will be assigned at the discretion of the director. Students who have been assigned solos must schedule weekly private rehearsals with the competition director.

Special Classes

Adult/Teen Beginning/Intermediate Ballet, with Prepointe/Pointe option

A beginning/intermediate level ballet class, for adults and teens 15/16 years of age to adult. No dance experience required. 1-hour class once a week, or 1 ½ hours with prepointe/pointe

Adult Advanced ballet with Prepointe/Pointe

An advanced ballet class for adults and professional dancers, or level E dance students. 2 ½ hour class once a week.

Adult Contemporary/Hip Hop

A beginning level combination class of Contemporary & Hip Hop. Recommended for adults 18 & over. 1 hour class once a week.

Teen/Preteen Beginning Ballet

A beginning level ballet class, recommended for ages 9-14 years, or with instructor approval. No dance experience required. 1-hour class once a week

Ballet for Figure Skaters

Ballet class specifically designed for students who are figure skaters. Intermediate level (ages 9-18) class. 1-hour class once a week

Contemporary/Jazz (Intermediate/advanced, or levels C, D & E)

A combination of Contemporary (a style of expressive dance that combines elements of modern, jazz, lyrical and classical ballet) and Jazz. Open to ages 10 & up, or levels C, D & E, or with instructor permission. 1.5-hour class once a week

Tap I

A beginning level tap class, for students in levels A & B, or ages 6-9. 1 hour class once a week.

Term Fees

*Anyone referring a new student who enrolls
for the full-term curricula receives 10% off 1 monthly installment
\$25 annual registration fee/student (*max \$40/family)*

Fees are based on enrollment in full term curricula only

Tuition is calculated for a 37-week school year, and is paid in monthly installments,

August through May (payments prorated for months with less than 4 weeks)

Payments cover the following calendar dates:

Due Date:

AUGUST: August 14- Sept 2 (3 weeks)	August 1st
SEPTEMBER: Sept 4 - Sept 30 (4 weeks)	September 1st
OCTOBER: Oct 2 - Oct 28 (4 weeks)	October 1st
NOVEMBER: Oct 30 - Nov 20 (3 weeks)	November 1st
DECEMBER: Nov 27 -Dec 22 (4 weeks)	December 1st
JANUARY: Jan 8 - Feb 3 (4 weeks)	January 1st
FEBRUARY: Feb 5 - March 2 (4 weeks)	February 1st
MARCH: March 4 - 23 (3 weeks)	March 1st
APRIL: April 1 - April 27 (4 weeks)	April 1st
MAY: April 29 -May 25 (4 weeks)	May 1st

Accepted payment methods: Cash, Check, Charge (Visa, Mastercard, Discover or American Express)

Zelle (send payment to 630-527-1052) or Venmo to @VH-DanceCenter

Automatic payments may be set up and will be deducted the first day of each month

The package rates below are for full curriculum students.

**Tuition for students not attending the full curriculum for their level will be calculated at
\$16.50/hour**

Full Curriculum Tuition

Price per Month

Children's Program

Pre-Ballet Ages 3 - 5; 45 minutes/week_____	\$66
Level A (1 ½ hours/week)_____	\$99
Level B (3 hours/week)_____	\$186
Level C (6 hours/week)_____	\$372

Advanced level classes

Level D (8.5 hours/week); Technique & Pointe 4x/week, no rehearsal_____	\$527
(13.5 hours/week); Technique & Pointe 4x/week with rehearsal 3x/week_____	\$702
Level E (11 hours/week); Technique & Pointe 5x/week, no rehearsal_____	\$682
(16 hours/week); Technique & Pointe 5x/week, with rehearsal 3x/week _____	\$800

Pre-Professional Program (*See program description)

Level C (7 hours/week); Technique & pre-pointe 3x/week; rehearsal or variations 1x/week = \$434
 Level D (14.5 hours/week) _____ \$754
 Level E (17 hours/week) _____ \$850

Special Programs

Adult Ballet or Preteen/Teen Beginning Ballet (1 hour/week) _____ \$66
 Adult Ballet with prepointe/pointe (1 ½ hours/week) _____ \$99
 Adult Contemporary/Hip Hop (1 hour/week) _____ \$66
 Ballet for Figure Skaters (1 hour/week) _____ \$66
 Contemporary/Jazz (1.5 hours/week) _____ \$99
 Level C Variations/Performance rehearsal (1 hour/week) _____ \$66
 Competition Company Rehearsals (1 hour/week) _____ \$66
 Mini Competition Company Rehearsal (30 minutes/week) _____ \$33

Students who choose not to enroll in one of the full-time packages must pay the following monthly fees per class:

**Tuition payments must be paid monthly and are due by the 1st of the month.*

LENGTH OF CLASS/WEEK	MONTHLY PAYMENT
30 minutes	\$33
45 min – 1 hour	\$64
1.5 hours	\$99
2 hours	\$132
2.5 hours	\$165
3 hours	\$198

Students not enrolled in full required curricula _____ **\$16.50 per hr.**

Drop-in rate _____ **\$16.50 per hr.**

*Sibling discount: 5% off tuition for each sibling after the first enrolled (Highest price sibling’s tuition is full price).

Policies

- Annual tuition is calculated for a 37-week school year and is paid monthly installments, due on the first of the month. Payments are prorated for months with more or less than 4 weeks, or if a student enrolls mid-month.
- Full curriculum package rates are only available to students in that level, taking the full curriculum for that

- level. Any student not enrolled in the full required curricula for their level does not get these discounted rates. (example-- a level D student can't get the discounted rate for level C even if taking the level C number of hours/week). Tuition for students not taking full curriculum for their level is calculated at \$16.50/hour.
- Students who enroll in a full curriculum package must attend that many hours/week. If a student is unable to attend the number of hours they sign up for, their tuition rate will be adjusted to reflect the regular hourly rate (\$16.50) without the package discount.
 - **Tuition for students enrolled in less than the required curricula is calculated at \$16.50/hour, and is also paid in monthly installments**
 - Tuition for students who come on a 'drop in' or 'pay as you come' basis is calculated at \$16.50/hour and must be paid on the day of each class.
 - If your account is not on automatic payment, a \$25 late fee will be applied to the account for payments not received by the 10th of the month, and \$25 on the 10th of every month after that until the balance is paid. For students whose account is 2 months delinquent, a payment plan must be set up to get the account up to date (must be on autopay) before the student attends further classes.
 - **ABSOLUTELY no credit/refund for missed classes except with a doctor's note for serious injury or illness. With a doctor's note, a tuition credit will be given in all cases, unless the doctor's note specifies that the student is unable to return to dance. If the doctor's note specifies that the student is unable to return to dance classes, a refund will be given.**
 - **All tuition paid is non-refundable and non-transferable.**
 - All parents/guardians and dancers over 18 years old are required to sign the registration, tuition, and liability waiver forms when registering. **You will not be allowed to enter any classes without these signatures**
 - **The studio must be notified prior to any absence. Credit/refund will not be issued for missed classes** (except with a doctor's note for serious injury or illness as specified above). Make-up classes may be taken and must be scheduled ahead of time with the office. Make up classes may be done in the same or lower level. **Classes may only be made up in a higher level with instructor permission.**
 - Classes missed must be made up within the same school year or following summer term (except classes missed in the last week of the term, which may be made up in the next term)
 - **The studio must be notified, with a minimum of 2 hours' notice, whenever a student will be absent from class.**
 - For students attending extra rehearsal hours, beyond what their tuition package includes, the hours will be recorded and added into the next month's tuition invoice, Tuition will be calculated at the student's regular hourly rate.
 - VH Dance Center reserves the right to cancel any class due to insufficient attendance.
 - Classes with less than 3 students may be canceled or combined with another class.
 - Classes may be canceled due to extreme weather conditions. An email notification will be sent to all students if the studio will be closed. Students with an online account will also receive a text message.
 - If the school must cancel classes due to extreme weather or other reasons/events, a make-up class will be offered for the missed class. No refunds or credits will be given for lessons missed due to these reasons. Students who are unable to attend the make up class will be able to make up the cancelled class in the same or lower level anytime during the current school year or the following summer term.
 - A non-refundable registration fee of \$25 per student is required yearly at the time of registration. (Limit \$40 per family)
 - NSF PAYMENTS—\$25 fee will be charged for returned checks.
 - Instructors are subject to change. No credits or refunds will be issued in this case.
 - The school reserves the right to provide a substitute teacher if the regularly scheduled teacher is ill or otherwise unable to teach classes. If a teacher is ill and the school cannot arrange a substitute any missed classes will be made up. No refunds will be given for lessons missed due to these reasons.

Discounts and Scholarships

SIBLING DISCOUNT

5% off tuition for each sibling after the first (highest price sibling's tuition is full price)

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

We believe dance is a gift that should be accessible for everyone. We have seen and experienced the impact that dance can have on an individual's life. Therefore, we do not want financial hardship to prohibit students from participating in classes VH Dance Center. Scholarships are available through **VH Ballet**, a 501c3 organization, and are primarily for those who consider dance to be a priority, yet after making personal sacrifices cannot afford the financial cost. If you believe you (or your family) fit these criteria, we welcome you to submit a scholarship application. Please contact the studio office for program details and an application.

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