



VH BALLET

VH Ballet is a nonprofit, 501c3 organization whose mission is to help make dance and the arts readily accessible to all.

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. We do not want financial hardship to prohibit students from participating in dance classes.

Our scholarships 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 the scholarship application attached.

Scholarship recipients and their families are expected to:

1. Demonstrate dedication to the study of dance
2. Have excellent attendance, with a limited number of unapproved absences.
3. Fulfill any remaining tuition/registration and performance fee obligations.
4. Comply with policies of VH Dance Center.
6. Demonstrate positive behavior in classroom, performance, and volunteer settings.

Please read the following important notes before applying for a scholarship:

1) Scholarships do NOT cover any portion of registration fees, uniforms, merchandise, performance fees, costume fees, performance videos or cast shirts. In other words, you will need to be able to cover those fees on your own. If you are unable to do so, we recommend finding an outside sponsor (such as a friend or family member) who will agree to pay those fees.

2) Scholarships cover a portion of dance class tuition ranging from 20% to 100%. The portion is completely variable, depending on the unique situation. If you are awarded a partial scholarship, you will still be responsible for your reduced tuition rate. Whatever your portion may be, if your payment is late, dance studio policies regarding late payments will apply.

- 3) Only one scholarship application is needed per family. The application includes all participating family members.
- 4) Scholarships are awarded based on the sole discretion and policies of VH Ballet. This is a private program. There are many factors which may affect the availability of scholarships. Not everyone who applies will receive a scholarship.
- 5) Scholarship recipients and their parents are strongly encouraged to volunteer at VH Dance Center at least once during the scholarship period.
- 8) All students must follow dance studio policies. We reserve the right to revoke scholarships at any time for any reason after one verbal or written warning.
- 9) Scholarship applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Awards are dependent on the availability of funds and are valid for the current school year and the following summer term. An updated scholarship application is required to be submitted for each new school year.
- 9) We will give you an answer within 2 weeks. If you do not hear from us in that time frame, please contact us. We may also contact you to get additional information or documentation. Proof of income is required.
- 10) Please respect our decision. Awards are not open for negotiation.
- 11) Scholarships are available for students of all ages enrolled in or planning to enroll in classes at VH Dance Center. A limited number of scholarships are available. Scholarships are applied to tuition only. No other discounts may be applied. Awards are dependent on the availability of funds. An application does not guarantee an award. Applicants must demonstrate economic need. Criteria followed is based on guidelines set forth for the National School Lunch Program ([Income Eligibility Guidelines | USDA-FNS](#)).

Application must include:

- A completed registration form for the dance studio
- Statement from VH Dance Center listing expected tuition for requested class(es)
- This application
- Two letters of reference for each student applying by a non-relative for verification of character
- Attach page 1 your most recently completed tax form 1040. Please black out all Social Security numbers.
- For COVID-19 related financial hardship, please attach a termination letter/reduced hours memo, or similar documentation.