

Boise Ballet Academy provides unparalleled training for serious pre-professional ballet students. BBA is proud to feature the American Ballet Theatre National Training Curriculum and is the only ABT Certified School in Idaho.

Training at BBA focuses on developmentally appropriate instruction and dancer health for each student. Our certified teaching staff has many years of experience bringing high quality artistic training to students ranging from 4 to 20 years old. Our staff have danced professionally and understand first-hand the elements required for an artist's development.

Payment

Tuition, including registration fees, deposits, and merchandise, is non-refundable. Any payment more than five days late will be subject to a \$25 late fee. All students incur a one-time, non-refundable \$35 registration fee per school year. Enrolled students who, due to injury or serious illness, are forced to withdraw prior to the end of the school year should inform the Directors immediately with a letter of medical release. Such students may be eligible for partial refund. BBA is a full school year commitment, an early withdrawal penalty of \$100 will be charged for students who withdraw due to circumstances other than injury or illness. Students not current in payments may be ineligible to participate in classes and performances.

School Year

Students must register for a full school year of ballet training (August-May) in order to attend classes in either the Primary Division or the Pre-Professional Division of Boise Ballet Academy. Classes with less than 4 enrolled students may be cancelled.

Attendance

Students are required to attend all scheduled classes and are expected to inform the school of an intended absence prior to class by calling or sending an email including the student's name, class level, reason for absence and duration of absence, (if longer than one class) to the school at (208) 604-3428 or boiseballetacademy@gmail.com. Attendance will be taken in every class. If a student misses class regularly a notice will be sent to the family or a meeting with faculty will be scheduled. A student can take class with a lower level if permitted by faculty due to an excused absence. An excused absence will be given if a student is ill.

Illness

Students cannot attend class when ill and return only when symptoms have subsided in order to prevent the spread of germs/illness to other students and teachers. Please keep student home if fever, vomiting or diarrhea has occurred within 24 hours.

Conduct

All parents must review the Code of Conduct with their student and ensure the student understands all rules regarding student behavior.

Performance Opportunities

Students in Primary A through Level 6 are eligible to perform in The Nutcracker (December) and BBA's Spring Performance (May).

Advancement

Level promotion is subject to each individual student's development and is at the discretion of the Directors and Faculty. Students will not necessarily be promoted to a higher level on an annual basis. It is not uncommon for a student to attend a level for two consecutive years. Poor attendance may impact a student's placement. Placement for the following School Year may be discussed in evaluation meeting if desired. Questions regarding level placement, student performance, progress, and all other concerns regarding students' training and classroom behavior should be directed to the Directors. To make an appointment with the Directors, please email boiseballetacademy@gmail.com

Parent Information

- Please read all emails from BBA for up-to-date information.

- Please notify the school immediately if any of your contact information has changed, particularly your email address.

- Parents must pick up their students within 15 minutes of their class end time. – Students and siblings should not be left unattended in the school lobby.

- The school staff will not be held responsible for any accidents/injuries. - Students should never leave money or valuables unattended.

- Boise Ballet Academy cannot be held responsible for lost property.

- Unless otherwise specified by parent or guardian BBA will have the right to use any photo/video obtained at the studio or on stage for social media and promotional material.

- No food or drinks (water is permitted) are allowed in the studios.
- Chewing gum is prohibited in class.
- Only staff members may post anything on the bulletin boards, schedules, or notices.

- No pets allowed.

- All policies are set in the best interest and safety of students, consideration of staff, and professionalism of the school.

Code of Conduct

Boise Ballet Academy's mission is to foster the talent of school age to professional students in a professional environment. To that end, this code of conduct has been established to enhance all students' experience by creating a safe and healthy atmosphere.

Students are expected to treat everyone around them with dignity, kindness, and respect. A student's words and actions should be friendly and encouraging, without negatively affecting the physical and emotional well-being of others. Therefore, students are expected not to verbally or physically harass

one another, whether during BBA related activities or at any other time outside of the school.

Harassment includes any inappropriate comments or conversations about others, whether they are in person or in writing (including letters, phone calls, emails, texts, communication via social networking websites or any other form of communication). Students must keep in mind that gossip and bullying is damaging to their classmates and everyone around them, and distracts them from their focus at BBA.

Students are expected to know and comply with Boise Ballet Academy's policies. Students are to maintain a respectful attitude toward their instructor and administrative staff at all times. Students must practice good behavior in and out of the classroom, and follow all directions and corrections by their instructor. Being respectful toward others and paying attention in the classroom require a positive attitude and putting forth one's best efforts at all times. When in the lobby, students must be respectful of the ballet facility and working environment by being calm in their conduct, including cleaning up after themselves. Students must treat the schools and other people's property with care.

Students must not use or possess tobacco products, alcohol, or drugs. Students must not use inappropriate language. Students should be prepared for their classes by being on time and following the dress and grooming standards as described in the school policies. Students are expected to attend all classes and report absences in advance.

Parents and families are expected to treat all students, faculty, and staff at with dignity and respect. Words and actions should be encouraging and without negatively affecting the physical and emotional well-being of others. BBA promotes a positive and welcoming environment; please help us to further support this by adhering to the following:

Parents and families are expected to refrain from commenting on any student's physical appearance, technical ability, or any other sensitive issues at BBA related activities or at any other time outside of the school. This includes but is not limited to the following forms of communication: letters, phone calls, emails, texts, and social media posts.

Encourage your student and others to enjoy their training and to have fun. Providing support to your student and other students will further encourage their training and build the confidence they need to excel in their ballet training.

Please respect the decisions and expertise of Faculty and Staff. Faculty and Staff have the students' best interests in mind when making decisions regarding the school and students.

Any student behavior that causes distraction, discouragement or damage to the classroom, building, theatre or to anyone associated with Boise Ballet Academy, will not be tolerated.

Anyone who witnesses or is aware of a violation to this code of conduct is expected to report it to the Directors.

Violations of this code may result in one or more of the following disciplinary actions: a verbal warning, "time out," dismissal from class, notification of parents/legal guardians, one-on-one meeting with the Directors, or meeting with the Directors and parents/legal guardians. On-going or serious violations of this code of conduct may result in expulsion.

Dress Code

Students must wear their uniform to all classes and rehearsals, unless otherwise specified by the Directors.

Grooming Girls:

Students must wear uniform to all classes and rehearsals unless otherwise specified.

Hair must be in a tight, sturdy bun for all classes and rehearsals.

Ballet tights are underwear and should be washed after each use. Ladies in level 3 and up may not wear additional underwear beneath tights.

No jewelry or nail polish allowed except for small stud earrings. Students must have their elastics and ribbons sewn on their shoes.

Grooming Boys:

Students must wear uniform to all classes and rehearsals unless otherwise specified. Hair must be kept out of face and if long kept in a ponytail or bun.

Boys in level 3 and up must wear a dance belt.

Students must have their elastics sewn on their shoes.

Uniform Requirements

Boise Ballet Academy's student uniform leotards with logo are for sale at the Dance Shoppe in the building. Levels 3 and up may wear the designated skirt for pointe classes.

Ladies should wear ballet pink tights and pink canvas or leather ballet shoes. Gentlemen should wear white T-shirt, black tights and black ballet slippers.

Pointe shoes may only be worn once approved by the Directors.

Tuition

Payment Options

Plan 1: Full Payment, due at enrollment

Plan 2: Monthly Payments, due on the 1st of the month. A \$25 late fee will be applied after 5 days

Deposits

Returning Students must register by May 1st to receive Early Enrollment discount (\$35 registration fee waived).

Students in the Primary division must place a \$40 deposit to secure their spot for the upcoming school year. The deposit is \$100 for students in Level 1 and up. All deposits are non-refundable and are applied to the first tuition payment.

Sibling Discounts

Families who register more than one student will receive 10% off each additional child's tuition. The first child (or the child with the highest tuition) will pay full price. The 10% sibling discount will be taken off the already discounted price, if the family is also receiving any other discounts.

Scholarships

A very limited number of Merit Scholarships are available. The number of scholarships awarded is based on available funds and careful consideration is given to every award. Once awarded a Merit Scholarship, students must sign a contract agreeing to the terms of the award. There is no application process for Merit Scholarship awards.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Boise Ballet Academy recruits and admits students of any race, religion (creed), gender, in any of its activities or operations to all the programs and activities. In addition, the school will not discriminate based on race, religion (creed), gender, in administration of its education.