

Maple Valley School of Ballet

2010-2011 School Year

Dear Maple Valley School of Ballet Families,

Inside this packet you will find the following:

- your student's class placement
- school year calendar
- uniform requirements
- school policies
- class schedule
- tuition schedule
- registration form

Registration for returning students will be accepted immediately.
Registration for new students will be accepted starting April 1st.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.
Thank You, and we look forward to seeing you all again next year!

Jessica Hamblen-Klepper
Director, Maple Valley School of Ballet



Class Placement for the 2010-11 School Year

Students aged 3 1/2 to nine years of age, are placed into classes strictly based on age.

For the following classes, students should turn the appropriate age by 1/31/11.

Creative Ballet	4 years old
Pre Ballet A	6 years old
Pre Ballet B	7 years old
Level 1	8 years old
Level 2	9 years old

Students aged 10 years and up are placed individually according to their technical ability, as well as maturity.
Students should expect to spend two years each in Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4

student's name

assigned class level for 2010-11 school year

MVSB Class Schedule, 2010-2011 School Year

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Monday	10:15-11:00 Creative Ballet	4:15-5:45 Level 3	5:45-7:00 Level 2	7:00-9:00 Level 4
Tuesday	3:30-4:15 Creative Ballet	4:15-5:15 Pre Ballet A	5:15-6:30 Level 1	6:30-9:00 Level 5
Wednesday	3:30-4:15 Creative Ballet	4:15-5:15 Pre Ballet B	5:15-6:30 Level 2	6:30-9:00 Nutcracker (Fall) Modern (Spring)
Thursday	4:15-5:45 Level 3	5:45-8:15 Level 5	8:15-9:00 Nutcracker (Fall) Composition (Spring)	
Friday	4:00-6:00 Level 4			

Students in Levels 2-5 are encouraged to take additional classes with lower levels (i.e. Level 2 may take class with Level 1, Level 5 may take additional classes with Levels 1-4). There is no additional fee for students who choose do this.

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Important Dates

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September 8	First Day of Classes
October 18-22	Observation Week
November 24-26	Thanksgiving Break
December 13-17	Holiday Observation
December TBD	Nutcracker Performances
December 20-31	Holiday Break
January 3	Classes Resume
February 9	No Classes
February 14-18	No Classes, Presidents Week
Feb 28-March 4	Observation Week
April 4-8	No Classes, Spring Break
April 25-29	Observation Week
May 30	No Classes, Memorial Day
May 31	Picture Day
June 6-8	Observation Day
June 8	Last Official Day of Classes
June 9-17	Potential Snow/Wind Make Up Days
June 21-25	Theater Week

MVSB Tuition Schedule, 2010-2011 School Year

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Tuition Policies

- A student is not registered until the first month's payment is received.
- Tuition is due the first class of the month.
- If tuition is not received by the third class week of the month, a late fee of \$20 will be charged.
- If tuition is not received by the end of the month, the student will not be admitted to class the following month.
- There is a returned check fee of \$20 per check.

	Yearly Tuition (34 weeks)	10 Monthly Payments
Creative Ballet	\$460	\$46
Pre Ballet	\$560	\$56
Level 1	\$640	\$64
Level 2	\$1160	\$116
Level 3	\$1270	\$127
Level 4	\$1540	\$154
Level 5	\$1750	\$175

****For information about family discounts, please contact the school.****

The Nutcracker September-December Only	Performance Fee	4 Monthly Payments
Nutcracker, Level 1	\$100	\$25
Nutcracker, Level 2/3	\$120	\$30
Nutcracker, Level 4/5	\$200	\$50

Modern Classes January-June Only	Tuition for 20 Weeks	6 Monthly Payments
Modern A (no ballet)	\$336	\$56
Modern A (with ballet)	\$222	\$37
Modern B (no ballet)	\$456	\$76
Modern B (with ballet)	\$300	\$50







Maple Valley School of Ballet Uniform Requirements 2010-2011 School Year

Leotards All leotards should be plain and free of contrasting trim and fabrics.
Skirts and dresses are not allowed.
Leg-warmers, tee shirts, and other extras are not allowed.

Tights Tights should be made by a reputable dance wear manufacturer (i.e. Capezio or Bloch).
Students should not wear tights made by Wal-Mart or other similar stores.
Underwear should not be worn under tights.

Shoes Shoes should be made by a reputable dance shoe manufacturer (i.e. Capezio or Bloch).
The toes of the foot should lie flat in the shoe when the dancer rises to elevé.
Students in Creative and Pre Ballet may wear the ABT ballet slipper carried by Payless Shoes.
Students should not wear shoes made by Wal-Mart or other similar stores.

Girls Leotard colors should correspond to the students assigned class level.
All levels should have pink ballet tights and pink ballet slippers.
Level 1-4 should have a white waist elastic.

Creative Ballet	Ballet Pink 	Level 2	Burgundy 
Pre Ballet	White 	Level 3	Hunter Green 
Level 1	Lt. Blue 	Level 4	Navy Blue 
		Level 5	Black 

Girls Hair

Creative Ballet Hair should be pulled back from the face, a bun is preferred.

Pre Ballet A Hair should be pulled back in a ponytail with no hair in the face, a bun is preferred.

Pre Ballet B Hair should be in a bun.

Level 1-5 Hair should be in a bun.

If a student's hair is too short to fit into a bun, the hair should appear from the front as if it is in a bun.

Boys Black tights or bike shorts White leotard or tight white tee shirt
White ballet socks White ballet slippers
Hair should be neat, long hair should be worn away from the face.

Please address all mail correspondence to the following address:

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Maple Valley, WA 98038

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206-618-6229
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Expectations for Maple Valley School of Ballet Students

Students are expected to adhere to MVSB policies at all times.

All levels are expected to be lined up, in the hallway with hair done and uniform on at the given time.

At MVSB, the progressive syllabus is built around a 34 week school year. Students who are excessively tardy or have excessive absences should expect to fall behind the rest of their class.

Folders Students in Levels 1-5 are expected to maintain a folder of ballet vocabulary and other appropriate worksheets. The school will provide folders for new students, as well as those enrolled in Level 1.

Supplementary Exercises Students in Levels 2-5 are expected to arrive fifteen minutes prior to class time in order to perform supplementary strengthening exercises prescribed by the teacher.

Maple Valley School of Ballet Policies

We strive to maintain a positive learning environment where each student has the very best opportunity to excel.

Classroom

For Creative, Pre Ballet, and Level 1 classes, arrive 5 minutes before class time.
For Level 2-6 classes, arrive 15 minutes before class time.
Use the restroom *before* class begins.
Use the dressing area for dressing, not the restroom stalls.
No necklaces, bracelets, or dangling jewelry.
Follow the dress code and uniform requirements.
No gum.
Concentration is encouraged while talking in class is discouraged.
Early dismissal from class must be requested before class begins.

Arrival and Pick-up

Students in Creative and PreBallet should be supervised by a parent while waiting for class to begin.
Students under 16 years must be picked up *inside the door* after dark.
Students should not go out to look for their ride.
Student drivers use the buddy system.
Students should wear cover-ups and street shoes when arriving and departing the studio.

Observation Days

Parents are requested to arrive at the beginning of class and stay for the duration.
Parents are asked to help keep distractions to a minimum and thus help students present their best work.

Make-up Classes

Students are encouraged to make-up absences in another class.
Make-ups need to be arranged in advance. Call 206-618-6229 or e-mail MVSBInfo@comcast.net.
Make-ups cannot be scheduled on Observation Days.

School Closures

Classes will be cancelled if Kent or Tahoma schools are closed due to inclement weather.
Call the office, 206-618-6229, for information on cancellations if one of the above school districts is open in the morning and snow begins later in the day,

Tuition

Please see tuition sheet.