**DBT Policies and Procedures: 2019/2020 Season**

**DBT Ballet Program: The Two Track System**

In an effort to create a more professional environment, while remaining supportive to all our parents and students, DBT initiated a **two track system** of classes in the beginning of the fall season in 2018. The two track system has been found to be successful and will again be implemented this 2019/2020 season.

**Why have a two track system?** We realize not all families and students can commit to the total number of required classes in the **Pre-Professional Track** in their level, but have progressed to the level of technical accomplishment equal to their peers. These students can choose their own degree of participation within their level and still take classes with their friends. These students will then take DBT classes as part of the **Academy Track Program**. For example, if a student is placed in a Level 8 and he/she cannot attend all weekly required classes at that level, they may participate as an Academy Track student in as many Level 8 classes as they can fit into their schedule. However, Pre-Professional students will be given priority casting in both Nutcracker and the Spring ballet, and will pay a lower hourly rate for classes. If students need to change tracks during the school year, they may do so with a written 30-day notice to DBT administration. Once a change of tracks has occurred the rules governing each track will take effect immediately.

1. **DBT PRE-PROFESSIONAL TRACK**
2. Students must enroll in and attend the complete program of classes and total hours required for their level, **beginning with level lll**.

Level lll: 4hrs/wk. $13.25/hr. $210/mo.

Level lV: 6hrs/wk. $10.41/hr. $250/mo.

Level V: 9hrs/wk. $9.16/hr. $330/mo.

Level Vll: 18.5hrs/wk. $6.68/hr. $495/mo.

Level Vlll: 19hrs/wk. $6.68/hr. $507/mo.

1. No missed rehearsals allowed; if injured or sick, student must come to rehearsals and take notes. If a student is consistently absent from their required classes an individual meeting will take place with the teacher, student and parent and consideration will be discussed to move to the Academy track.

**B- DBT Academy Track:**

1. Academy track students are enrolled in their level based on previous year exam results and take classes along with the Pre-Pro Track students at the weekly frequency of their choosing. The following rates apply.

Mommy and Me: $35/mo

Pre-Ballet: 2-4 years old $16.66/hr. $50/mo.

Pre-Ballet ll $55/mo

Pre-Ballet lll $60/mo

Level l: $16.25/hr. $65/mo.

Level ll: $14.50/hr. $145/mo.

Level lll: $13.75/hr.

Level lV: $11.00/hr.

Level V: $10.00/hr.

Level Vll: $8.50/hr.

Level Vlll: $8.50/hr.

1. All Academy Track students can audition for the Nutcracker and the Spring Ballet.

**C- Tap Classes and TAP/Ballet Combo classes** **$18.00/hr.**

**Adult Class Cards: Effective for 2019/2020 Season**

1. 5 Class card: $90
2. 10 Class card: $160
3. 20 Class card: $280
4. 1 time drop-in : $25 (for all students)

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**Participation fees for Nutcracker and Spring Ballet**

1. $199 for dancers age 6-25
2. $129 for dancers age 4-5, and adults over 25
3. $100 for 2nd child in family

**STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTACT THEIR INDIVIDUAL TEACHER IF THEY INTEND TO MISS A CLASS. EACH INSTRUCTOR WILL HAVE A PREFERRED METHOD OF CONTACT. YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT THE DBT REGISTRAR AT THE FRONT DESK WITH AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE AS POSSIBLE.**

**The Nutcracker and Spring Ballet**

 **1 - Auditions** **for The Nutcracker: Saturday, September 7, 2019**

 Age 4-5 2-2:20 pm

 Age 6-8 2:30-3:00 pm

 Age 9-12 3:15-4:15 pm

 Age 13+ 4:30-5:45 pm

1. Auditioning dancers must arrive 15 mins before their scheduled audition time. **Audition Fee:** $10 for DBT students and $20 for non-DBT students.
2. Cast list and the rehearsal schedule, along with performance dates and locations, will be posted and begin in early October
3. The Spring Ballet (TBA) Auditions will be held Saturday, January 18th.

**Showcase**

1. Showcase fees will be $129 again this 2019/2020 season.
2. Showcase will be Sat May 30th, location TBA.

**Exams**

1. DBT exams for Ballet levels 3-8 will be conducted May 11-15,2020.
2. DBT faculty will meet after all exams and discuss each students progress and evaluate level placement at that time.

**Website**

1. DBT website is a valuable resource and contains class schedule, faculty, policies/procedures and schedules along with performance information.

Please use this address to access information: **denverballettheatre.org**.

**Class attendance, punctuality and Parent Observation**

1. With the exception of emergencies, Students will no longer be able to walk into a class once it has started. All classes will begin on time.
2. Parent observation days will be the last week of each month.
3. **DBT will have a Fall Break and a Spring break for the 2019/2020 season, with no classes or rehearsals during those weeks. The dates are listed on the calendar which is on the website. The DBT breaks will correspond to the Douglas County and Cherry Creek School district calendars.**