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# Summer Dance Program

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## Program Overview

The Summer Dance Program is a five-week intensive that offers students pre-professional training in classical ballet with a modern/contemporary dance component.

The ballet program, similar to the residential program, is based on long-established concepts and ideas taken from the Vaganova, Cecchetti and R.A.D. schools. The modern/contemporary dance component exposes students to theoretical concepts rooted in principles based on the Graham, Horton, Limon, and Cunningham techniques.

Our Summer Dance Program's physically demanding and rewarding training programs embrace the strength of both traditional and 21<sup>st</sup> Century concert dance. We are committed to remaining at the forefront of a fast changing dance world by complementing our classical ballet and modern dance training with a diverse range of concert dance and dance related forms and classes such as: Character, African-based Dance Styles, Improvisation, Composition, Pantomime/Acting for Dancers, Music for Dancers, and Nutrition.

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## The Audition

The audition process will demonstrate the applicant's physical suitability for the everyday rigor of our Classical Ballet and Modern/Contemporary programs, technical aptitude, artistic potential, and ability to take direction.

- **Ballet Class** – 1.5 hours
- **Modern Center Practice** – 30 minutes
- **Interview**

A panel of dance professionals will conduct small group interviews to assess:

- your future goals and aspirations
- your commitment to successfully complete the dance program
- and your level of responsibility and potential as a student in a residential program.

## Out-of-State Dance Applicants

For students who do not live in South Carolina but wish to apply and audition for the Summer Dance program, we offer two audition options.

- **Option 1** – Attend an **Early Decision** or *Regular Decision* audition.
- **Option 2** – Submit a video audition. The video submission should include:
  - An introduction of yourself, including name and age, and information about the solo, including the name of the piece, the composer, and the choreographer
  - No more than 10 minutes total of barre work and center work, including adagio, turns, and jumps
  - A solo no more than 2 minutes in length demonstrating performing ability in Ballet, Modern or Contemporary dance
  - All video submissions should be in .mov or .mp4 format and should be emailed to [applications@scgsah.org](mailto:applications@scgsah.org). The student name and grade should be included in the body of the email.
  - The deadline for video submission for out-of-state **Early Decision** applicants is **November 3, 2017**. For out-of-state *Regular Decision* applicants, the deadline is *February 16, 2018*.

## Standard Dance Attire

- **Females:** Black leotards, convertible pink tights, ballet shoes. For the modern workshop, applicants must be barefoot (rolled up convertible tights).
  - **Males:** Black t-shirts, dance belts, black convertible tights with black shoes. For the modern workshop, applicants must be barefoot (rolled up convertible tights).
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## Summer Dance Program Information

### Eligibility

- Students must be at least 12 years old by **June 1, 2018** to attend.
- South Carolina residency is NOT a requirement for the Summer Dance Intensive.
- 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade Dance students may also apply for the Residential High School program. (*Proof of SC residency is required for the Residential Program.*)

### Summer Dance Program Dates

The dates for the 5-week program are **June 17 – July 3, 2018** *and* **July 8 – July 21, 2018**.

### Tuition

\$2,100 – Full and partial scholarships are available to South Carolina residents with validated financial needs. *Fees are subject to change without notice.*

### Application Deadline

- **Early Decision** applications must be completed\* by October 20, 2017.
- *Regular Decision* applications must be completed\* by January 5, 2018.
- The majority of openings for our dance programs will be filled during the Early Decision process, so students are **STRONGLY** encouraged to apply for Early Decision. Limited spaces will be available during Regular Decision.
- Applicants will be placed on the audition schedule on a first-come, first-served basis based on when the completed application is received.
- Audition locations fill up quickly, so please submit your completed application as early as possible.

\* A completed application includes all art area requirements and all other required forms, including recommendations or transcripts.

### Contact Information

For information or assistance, contact the SCGSAH Office of Admissions at [applications@scgsah.org](mailto:applications@scgsah.org) or call **864.282.3713**. Please provide your name, grade, and the art area for which you are applying in all communications.