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**2019-2020 Ballet, Jazz, and Tap Classes  
Schedule of Classes**

<i>Monday</i>		<i>Tuesday</i>		<i>Thursday</i>	
<i>3:30 - 4:15 (45 min.)</i>	<i>Ballet 1</i>	<i>2:45 - 3:30 (45 min.)</i>	<i>Pre-Ballet 1</i>	<i>2:45 - 3:30 (45 min.)</i>	<i>Pre-Ballet 2</i>
<i>4:15 - 5:15 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Pre-Pointe</i>	<i>3:30 - 4:30 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Ballet 2</i>	<i>3:30 - 4:30 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Ballet 4</i>
<i>5:15 - 6:15 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Tap 2</i>	<i>4:30 - 5:15 (45 min.)</i>	<i>Tap 1</i>	<i>4:30 - 5:15 (45 min.)</i>	<i>Jazz 1</i>
<i>6:15 - 7:30 (1 hr. 15 min.)</i>	<i>Pointe 1</i>	<i>5:15 - 6:15 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Ballet 3</i>	<i>5:15 - 6:30 (1 hr. 15 min.)</i>	<i>Int./Adv. Ballet Technique*</i>
		<i>6:15 - 8:00 (1 hr. 45 min.)</i>	<i>Pointe 2</i>	<i>6:30 - 7:30 (1 hr.)</i>	<i>Jazz 2</i>

*\*Int./Adv. Ballet Technique Class is for students in pre-pointe and above.*

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*Class Descriptions*

**Pre-Ballet 1**

- meets for 45 minutes
- beginning class for students 3-4 years old
- centre work, gentle stretching, across the floor movement, and introductory ballet steps

**Pre-Ballet 2**

- meets for 45 minutes
- beginning class for students 4-5 years and older who have had Pre-ballet 1
- centre work, gentle stretching, across the floor movement, and introductory ballet steps

**Ballet 1**

- meets for 45 minutes
- beginning class for students 5 years and older and have had pre-ballet classes

**Ballet 2**

- meets for 1 hour
- flat class for students with 2 years' experience

**Ballet 3**

- meets for 1 hour
- flat class for students with 2 years' experience and/or teacher approval

**Ballet 4**

- meets for 1 hour
- flat class for students with 3 years' experience and/or teacher approval

**Pre-Pointe**

- meets for 1 hour
- flat class for students with 3 years' experience and/or teacher approval
- emphasizes development of muscles and skills needed for pointe work

**Pointe 1**

- meets for 1 hour and 15 minutes
- beginner to intermediate pointe class

**Pointe 2**

- meets for 1 hour and 45 minutes
- intermediate to intermediate/advanced pointe class

**Int./Adv. Ballet Technique**

- meets for 1 hour and 15 minutes
- 2nd class for dancers taking intermediate and advanced classes in pre-pointe, pointe 1, and pointe 2

**Tap 1**

- meets for 45 minutes
- beginning class for students 5-9 years

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- meets for 1 hour
- class for students 10 years and older or approved by the teacher

**Jazz 2**

- meets for 1 hour
- class for students 10 years and older or approved by the teacher

**Jazz 1**

- meets for 45 minutes
- beginning class for students 5-9 years

***Tuition***

Tuition is due the first class of each month with added options to pay for the entire semester or entire year. Tuition is based on the class amount of time taken per family each week. Tuition is payable on a monthly basis. No refunds will be issued for students who withdraw from class in the middle of a month. Similarly, students who register for class in the middle of a month will owe a full tuition payment for that month. Each month's tuition is the same amount even though not all months have the same number of classes. If the student is absent, they make take another class to make up their missed class. Additionally, if a class is cancelled due to weather or illness of the instructor, class will be rescheduled. It is optional if you want to perform in the end of the year performances. If you choose not to perform, you may still attend class for technique and learn the choreography as an understudy when others might be absent.

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Class Amount of Time in minutes and hours PER FAMILY PER WEEK	Tuition Due PER MONTH
45 minutes	\$40
1 hour	\$50
1 hour 15 minutes	\$60
1 hour 30 minute	\$70
1 hour 45 minutes	\$80
2 hours	\$90
2 hours 15 minutes	\$95
2 hours 30 minutes	\$100
2 hours 45 minutes	\$105
3 hours	\$110
3 hours 15 minutes	\$115
3 hours 30 minutes	\$120
3 hours 45 minutes	\$125
4 hours	\$130
4 hours 15 minutes	\$135
4 hours 30 minutes	\$140
4 hours 45 minutes	\$145
5 hours or more	\$150

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## *2019-2020 Ballet, Jazz, and Tap Classes*

### *Policies and Procedures*

#### ***Ballet***

- *Uniform* (all classes): any solid colored leotard, pink tights, pink leather ballet shoes (and pointe shoes, as needed) - all students will need to have at least one basic black leotard in their ensemble, preferably tank or spaghetti strap style, for costuming purposes during recital
- *Content*: classical ballet training through the use of a ballet barre, stretching, centre and floor work, and exercises across the floor
- Hair must be worn in a ballet bun for ballet
- NO jewelry or accessories are allowed

#### ***Jazz and Tap***

- *Uniform* (all classes): fitted leggings (i.e. yoga pants, exercise pants) or jazz pants, a leotard or top that covers the torso but does not pass the hips in length with appropriate undergarments, black or tan jazz shoes and/or black lace up tap shoes
- *Content*: Classical jazz and tap technique with stretching, center work, and floor exercises and choreography.
- Hair must be worn up, away from the face
- NO jewelry or accessories are allowed

#### ***School Policies***

- Students must attend in uniform: leotard, pink tights, and pink leather ballet shoes. There should be no accessories of any kind worn with the uniform. This means that jewelry, watches, pants, shirts, or loose hair accessories may not be worn during class.
- Students should be brought to the building in and must leave the building in modest street clothes that conceal all but the shoulder area of the leotard. A loose dress or t-shirt and shorts or sweatpants would serve this purpose.
- Students should bring a bag or backpack to class in which to keep their street shoes and clothes when they are not being worn by the student.
- Students should arrive five minutes before the scheduled class time, enter the fellowship hall quietly, and sit quietly in a chair until it is time for class to begin. They should get their shoes on before class begins.
- Students who arrive 10 or more minutes late will be required to observe class. After missing the class warm-up, it would be unsafe for a student to join class. Students who arrive fewer than 10 minutes late should come to the barre and join in quietly.
- Students may not eat or drink during class and no food or drink should be brought into the dance room, with the exception of water bottles.
- Students must show respect to their teacher and fellow students at all times.
- Payments are due at the 1st class of each month and should be remitted to Riverwood Classical School by cash, check, Venmo, or credit or debit card. If paying by check, please put the student's name on the memo line. If paying with cash, please put the cash in an envelope with the student's name on the front. Both cash and checks should be given by students to Mrs. Robertson at the beginning of class at the first class of the month. Venmo payments

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may be made to @riverwoodclassical. Credit card payments must be made through Mrs. Staggs and will require an additional 5% fee. If tuition is not paid at the first class of the month, it is the parent's responsibility to arrange to get the payment to the school.

- If a student's tuition is not paid by the 15th of the month, 10% of the total balance will be added to the payment due and a notice will be sent. (Exception for the month of August: if not paid by the 20th)
- If a student's tuition is not paid, the parent will be asked to not bring the student to class until it is paid.
- Tuition is payable on a monthly basis. No refunds will be issued for students who withdraw from class in the middle of a month. Similarly, students who register for class in the middle of a month will owe a full tuition payment for that month.
- Each month's tuition is the same amount even though not all months have the same number of classes.
- Dance classes will meet according to the published Riverwood Classical School calendar. Any holidays taken by the school may also be taken by the dance classes. The school calendar may be found online at <http://riverwoodclassical.org/calendar> and the dance calendar at <http://sites.google.com/a/riverwoodclassical/ballet>.
- Classes which must be canceled will be rescheduled and made up at the convenience of the teacher and school.
- Adherence to all school policies is to be determined by the judgment of the class teacher or school principal. Failure to adhere to school policies may result in the student's removal from class if that is deemed necessary by the teacher or principal.
- ***Please Note:*** Students should not wear their dance shoes outside of the building. Dance shoes are designed for studio or home use only.

#### ***Student Expectations***

No talking in class unless called upon.

Quick obedience every time.

Behavior should be polite and honoring to all.

#### ***Parent Observation***

Parents and non-participating siblings are asked to leave the classroom during the classes in order to facilitate the students' attention and focus on the class. Observation days will be announced during which parents may observe the classes. If you are unable to observe on a designated day, please let the teacher know, and she will try to arrange an alternate date for you to visit

#### ***General Information***

- *Annual Registration Fee* (per family): \$25 -- due at the time of registration
- *Annual Performance Fee* (per student): \$25 -- due by November 1, 2019
- *Annual Costume Fee* (per student/per class): \$50 per ballet costume, \$25 per jazz costume, \$25 per tap costume -- due by February 1, 2020
- *Location* (all classes): Fellowship Hall at Riverwood Presbyterian Church
- *Teacher* (all classes): Valerie Robertson (see [www.riverwoodclassical.org/bios](http://www.riverwoodclassical.org/bios))
- *For more information:* [ballet@riverwoodclassical.org](mailto:ballet@riverwoodclassical.org)

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### *To Register for Classes*

1. Go to [Online RCS Dance Registration](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvZpc_Q3QlUV6XLF1jvUOmp7ptf75IGRnQZT0ZTf-gaC6Omg/viewform?usp=sf_link) ([https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvZpc\\_Q3QlUV6XLF1jvUOmp7ptf75IGRnQZT0ZTf-gaC6Omg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvZpc_Q3QlUV6XLF1jvUOmp7ptf75IGRnQZT0ZTf-gaC6Omg/viewform?usp=sf_link)) then submit the Annual Registration Fee of \$25 per family as you indicate during registration.
  - a) This link is also available at <http://sites.google.com/a/riverwoodclassical.org/ballet/home>.
2. Complete a registration form (one per family) available on the right-hand side of the page [www.riverwoodclassical.org/articles](http://www.riverwoodclassical.org/articles) or on the Announcements page at <http://sites.google.com/a/riverwoodclassical.org/ballet/home>. Submit the registration form and Annual Registration Fee of \$25 per family
  - a) by mailing them to RCS Dance, 501 Rice Valley Road N., Tuscaloosa, AL 35406
  - b) or leaving them in the church office or mailbox at the same address.
 

\*\*Please note: the church office does not keep regular business hours.

### *Suggested Uniform Resources*

- [discountdance.com](http://discountdance.com) (leotards, shoes, tights); use Teacher Code TP112680 to receive discounts and support the RCS ballet program
- [allaboutdance.com](http://allaboutdance.com)
- Walmart & Target (leotards and tights for young children)
- Payless ShoeSource on Skyland (shoes)
- Academy Sports (leotards and tights for young children)

### *Waiting Facilities and Expectations*

Parents and siblings who would like to wait inside the building during a ballet class may do so in the classroom that is directly opposite the entrance door **after 3:00 p.m.** (from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. this room is used as a classroom). If you are inside the building anytime before 3:30 p.m., please be aware that classes may be in session, and please wait quietly.

**\*\*Parents are asked to please pay close attention to children while in the building.\*\***

- Children may not run in the halls.
- Please check the restroom after your child has used it to make sure that he or she has not left it dirty (paper towels in trash, no toilet paper on floor, no mess on the floor by or behind the toilets) and that he or she has taken all belongings.

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### *Calendar of Events*

***Calendar:*** Dance classes generally meet according to the published Riverwood Classical School calendar, which may be found online at [www.riverwoodclassical.org](http://www.riverwoodclassical.org). We ***will*** have classes on all Monday Holidays and the Monday following Easter. Please note, we will not have a December performance this year. We are going to have an observation and celebration day in December. On the day of your scheduled class, please come at 3:30. We will have a celebration with the students from the classes that meet that same day and show a short piece of choreography to each other and our parents/families.

#### *Fall Schedule*

Thursday, August 8, 5:00 p.m. -- Ballet Orientation

August 12 -- Dance Classes Begin

October 7 - 11 -- Fall Break (No Classes)

November 25 - 29 -- Thanksgiving Break (No Classes this week)

Monday, December 16, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. -- Monday Classes' Holiday Parent Observation and Celebration

Tuesday, December 17, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. -- Tuesday Classes' Holiday Parent Observation and Celebration

Thursday, December 19, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. -- Thursday Classes' Holiday Parent Observation and Celebration

#### *Spring Schedule*

Monday, January 6 -- Dance Classes Resume

March 16 - 20 -- Spring Break (No Classes)

Monday, May 4, 3:30 p.m. -- General Rehearsal (All Classes)

Tuesday, May 5, 3:30 p.m. -- General Rehearsal (All Classes)

Wednesday, May 6, 3:30 p.m. -- Dress Rehearsal (All Classes)

Thursday, May 7, 6:30 p.m. -- Spring Performance (All Classes)

\*Students arrive no later than 5:45

\*\* Ballet 4 and older arrive by 5:00 for warm up class.

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