



Dear new and returning students & families,

Welcome to our 2024-25 dance season! We are excited to explore ballet with our dancers, encouraging them to develop a healthy self-esteem, a strong body, a disciplined mind, and a vibrant spirit!

Below please find detailed information and updates.

Virtual Orientation, Saturday, August 17, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

This orientation will help students and parents become better acquainted with the New Orleans School of Ballet, our policies, training methods, values and functions. Parents and students will have the opportunity to meet teachers, current and former students & parents, and ask pressing questions.

Meeting ID: 891 2030 6824

Passcode: 408822

First Day of Classes, August 26, 2024

The Nutcracker in New Orleans

New Orleans School of Ballet's original and brilliantly reimagined twist on Tchaikovsky's treasured holiday classic! Ages 5 and older. Dancers must be 5 by the audition date.

Auditions, Sunday, Aug 31 & Sept 1; make-up auditions are Sept 7

AUDITION SIGN UP!

Performances, December 14 - 15, 2pm

2024-25 School Handbook— this document contains dress code, school policies & COVID 19 Policies. Please read carefully.

Class Attire/Dress Code-

Uniforms can also be purchased locally at Carmel's Dance Wear and online at [Discount Dance](#), please use our School ID, **113663**

GIRLS:

- TIGHTS: Ballet pink or flesh colored tights transition tights. Shoes must align with the color of the tights.
- Pre-Ballet, Primary, and Preparatory dancers should wear leather full soled ballet slippers. Level 1-5 dancers may wear canvas or leather split soled slippers.
- Hair neatly secured in a ballet bun.
- Undergarments (underwear and bras) should not be visible beneath leotard and



tights.

- Dance Dress/Leotard Guidelines: Basic camisole, tank, short or long sleeved leotard styles only. No rhinestones, embellishments, halter, excessively low or criss-crossed backs, sparkle, Lycra, contrast, patterned materials or attached tutus. Same color velvet allowed as edge trim on leotards.
- PRE-BALLET Pink Dance Dress
 PRIMARY Lilac Dance Dress
 PREPARATORY White Dance Dress
 LEVEL 1 & 2 Light Blue Leotard
 LEVEL 3 Royal Blue Leotard
 LEVELS 4 & 5 Black Leotard; Black Skirt (Pointe Class)
 LEVEL 5 White Practice Tutu

BOYS, BALLET:

- White leotard or T- shirt, black tights, thin black socks.
- Leather or canvas black ballet shoes. Pre-Ballet, Primary, and Preparatory dancers must wear leather full soled ballet slippers. Level 1-5 dancers may wear canvas or leather split soled slippers.
- Dance belt (Boys 10 and older)

Tuition/Fees

Fall 2024 semester tuition and the yearly registration fee has been billed to your Jackrabbit account. Balances are due on or before the first day of your child’s class. Please use your Jackrabbit account to make payments or send the payment to the studio. If payments are not made within the first week of classes, NOSB will process accounts.

All information is easily accessible on our website, neworleansschoolofballet.com.

Thank you for registering for our 2024-25 season!

We look forward to many days of happy twirling!

Sincerely,
 Nikki Hefko, Director
 New Orleans School of Ballet



2024-25 School Calendar

August 10, 2024	Fall Open House
August 17, 2024	Virtual orientation for new & returning students
August 26, 2024	FALL CLASSES BEGIN
September 1, 2024	Auditions— <i>The Nutcracker in New Orleans</i>
September 2, 2024	NO CLASSES—Labor Day
October 31, 2024	NO CLASSES—Halloween Day
November 18 - 23, 2024	Open School Week
November 25 - 30, 2024	NO CLASSES—Thanksgiving Break
December 2, 2024	Classes Resume
December 11, 2024	Last day of Fall/Winter Classes
December 12, 2024 - January 13, 2025	NO CLASSES—Winter Break
December 14 - 15, 2024	<i>The Nutcracker in New Orleans</i> Performances
January 13, 2025	SPRING CLASSES BEGIN
January 20, 2025	NO CLASSES—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 27 - March 5, 2025	NO CLASSES—Mardi Gras Break
March 6, 2025	Classes Resume
April 6 - 11, 2025	Open School Week
April 17 - April 25, 2025	NO CLASSES—Spring Break
April 26, 2025	Classes Resume
May 25, 2025	<i>May Matinée Performance</i> , End of semester
June 2 - 6, 2025	Summerdance: Ballet Camp, Ages 7-10
June 9 - 20, 2025	Summerdance: Int-Adv Intensives, Ages 11+
June 23 - 27, 2025	Summerdance: Mini Camp, Ages 3-6