

Orinda Ballet Academy & Company

Pre- Ballet A & B **Parent Class Information/ Guidelines**

Ballet Home website:
www.OrindaBalletAcademy.com

Welcome to Orinda Ballet Academy-- *Our goal for the Pre-Ballet division classes is to teach young children the beginnings of ballet through creative dancing. The benefits the children will experience include: learning to follow directions, strengthen their coordination, work as a team, focus, sharing, music rhythms, basic ballet positions, stretching, basic ballet steps, expand their imaginations in a fun and creative dance environment.*

I ask all parents for their help by reminding their child prior to each class to act mindful & respectful to the other dancers in their class.

-The ballet studio is not a playground- it is a special space where we learn *ballet*
-No hanging or climbing on the ballet-barres at any time- (child safety)
-No running, chasing and screaming
-No touching, poking, pushing, other students in the ballet studio
-Soft voices in studio- *ballet class is a time to focus on body movement, listening to the music and following teachers instructions.*

In order to keep class time positive and productive, disruptive children will be asked to sit down or brought to their parents for guidance.

***Please take your child to the bathroom prior to class time**

***Pre-Ballet A parents are advised to stay in the waiting area outside the ballet studio during class in case of a needed bathroom visit-**

*** Most students participate and focus better in the class when parents are not in the dance studio.**

***Each Term has Parent Observation Week- when classes are open to parents to watch and observe their child's progress-**

Please no talking while observing class- to keep distractions to a minimum

Observation Dates: Check Ballet Calendar for dates.

***Dress Code: Ballet leotard (any color), chiffon ballet skirts allowed (no bulky tutus) pink tights, pink leather ballet slippers. (Please no street clothes or shoes)**

Ballet Stores to purchase dancewear

Contra Costa Dancewear-554 Ygnacio Valley Rd #A, Walnut Creek, CA 94596 (925) 932-9660

San Francisco Dancewear- 5933 College Ave, Oakland, CA (510) 655-1306

Thank you for your assistance in creating a fun environment for all.