

## 2020 Ballet Conservatoire Information

At iDance we are proud of our commitment to the correct study of the art of dance, via the Ballet Conservatoire – Vaganova based. For our young students to be competitive on the "world stage", our students must study at the same level as other ballet students worldwide. This is why we suggest a certain amount of Ballet classes for each age group.

Australian Conservatoire of Ballet classes required for correct study:		
Class Level	Minimum class/s Desired	Extra class required
Pre Primary Ballet	1 hour per week	Primary (option)
Primary Ballet	2 hours per week	Preparatory Level 1 Ballet
Preparatory Level 1 Ballet	2 hours per week	Level 1 Ballet
Level 1 Ballet	2 hours per week	Level 2 Ballet
Level 2 Ballet	2 hours per week	Level 3 Ballet
Level 3 Ballet	3 hours per week	Level 4, Level 5 plus Beginner Pointe
Level 4 Ballet	4 hours per week	Level 5, Open, Senior and Pointe
Level 5 Ballet	5 hours per week	Level 4, Open, Senior and Pointe

\*Our Dance Conditioning class is also necessary if your student is wishing to make a career of his/her dance studies.

To prepare, we offer open style classes for the first term, and we teach them exam work in Terms 2 and 3. Not all students will be fortunate enough to be offered an examination, however all students will study towards this elite level. Our 2019 exams will be held Mid September.

Students will all have a component of theory in their Ballet classes and I encourage all parents to please assist your child with their theory (French technical terminology) to help them keep up with their classmates. It is a horrible feeling to have to watch other classmates because you don't understand the theory, but a wonderful feeling when you actually know what you're doing! I cannot urge you enough to encourage your child to practise their dance technique and theory as often as possible, so that they are prepared correctly.

For parents wondering how they will be able to afford the amount of classes necessary for correct study, along with students wishing to take on other dance styles, we now offer an "Unlimited Class Package" for students that take many classes. Please visit our website, or contact Cass for information. Having said that, we also realise that some students take ballet for fun, as a recreational class. This is absolutely fine and also encourage this.

Please never hesitate to email Jacqui if you have any further questions.