

SCHAUER SCHOOL OF THE ARTS | 2026-2027

Contemporary Dress Code

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All dancers should wear clothes over their contemporary uniform when coming to and from class.
- Contemporary shoes may NOT be worn outside as it will ruin your shoes and track dirt and other outside materials onto our dance floor.
- Underwear is NOT to be worn under leotard and tights.
- Long hair should be worn pulled back and out of the face. Hair that is too short for a ponytail should be secured away from the face.
- Only small earrings are allowed in class. All other jewelry or watches must be removed prior to class.
- Water bottles only are allowed in the classroom.

DRESS CODE

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Quick Scan QR Code for Ballera:

Please check the chart below to make sure you have the correct brand, color and style leotard.

NOTE: Schauer will be hosting a dance attire fitting with Ballera Dance at the Creative Arts Studios on Wednesday, August 19, 5:00-7:30 pm to prepare for the fall session.

CONTEMPORARY			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Black
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footless Tights	Color: Light Tan or appropriate to skin tone.
Shorts	Brand: Capezio	Style: Fitted Boy Cut Low Rise Shorts	Color: Black
Lyrical Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Pirouette II Canvas Half Shoe	Color: Nude

MALE STUDENTS IN CONTEMPORARY			
Top	From Ballera	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: White
Bottoms	From Ballera	Style: Shorts	Color: Black
Lyrical Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Pirouette II Canvas Half Shoe	Color: Nude

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Performance Ballet Dress Code

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All dancers should wear clothes over their ballet uniform when coming to and from class.
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- Underwear is NOT to be worn under leotard and tights.
- Long hair should be worn in a ballet bun. Hair that is too short for a bun should be secured away from the face.
- Only small earrings are allowed in class. All other jewelry or watches must be removed prior to class.
- Dance sweaters are allowed for all classes during the cold seasons until the teacher asks them to be removed during class time. Skirts and other warm-ups are only allowed for Ballet 2-5.
- Sweaters are allowed for all classes but must only be in the color black (previously purchased items in other colors may be used till grown out of). Other warm-ups must be black or approved by the teacher. Please make sure warm-ups are tight fitting and not baggy.
- Water bottles are only allowed in the classroom for Pre-Ballet 3 and Ballet 1-5 classes.

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PRE-BALLET 1 (Ages 3-4)			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: Pink
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.

PRE-BALLET 2 (Ages 5-6)			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: Lavender
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.

PRE-BALLET 3 (Ages 7-8)			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: Light Blue
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.

MALE STUDENTS IN PRE-BALLET 1-3			
Top	From Ballera	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: White
Bottoms	From Ballera	Style: Shorts	Color: Black
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Bloch	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Black

BALLET 1			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Berry
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.

BALLET 2			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Aubergine
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Convertible	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Optional Additions	Brand: Capezio	Style: Wrap Skirt and/or Low-rise Shorts	Color: Black

BALLET 3			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Navy Blue
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Convertible	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Optional Additions	Brand: Capezio	Style: Wrap Skirt and/or Low-rise Shorts	Color: Black

BALLET 4			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Burgundy
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Convertible	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Optional Additions	Brand: Capezio	Style: Wrap Skirt and/or Low-rise Shorts	Color: Black

BALLET 5			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Tank Sleeve	Color: Black
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Convertible	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Optional Additions	Brand: Capezio	Style: Wrap Skirt and/or Low-rise Shorts	Color: Black
Optional Class Only Leotards	Brand: Any	Style: Any	Color: Black

MALE STUDENTS IN BALLET 1-5			
Top	From Ballera	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: White
Bottoms	From Ballera	Style: Shorts	Color: Black
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Black

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Studio Ballet Dress Code

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- Water bottles are encouraged to be brought in the classroom for Adult Open Ballet and Friday evening classes.

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MOVE WITH ME (Ages 18 months - 3 with an adult)				
STUDENT				
Required	Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Attire Option 1	Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: Sunshine
	Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Attire Option 2	Comfortable, non-baggy clothing			
ADULT	Socks and clothing you can comfortably be active in			

PRE-SCHOOL BALLET (AGES 3-4), BEGINNER BALLET (AGES 5-7) & ELEMENTARY BALLET (AGES 8+)			
Leotard	Brand: Bloch	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: Sunshine
Tights	Brand: Capezio	Style: Footed	Color: Light Pink or appropriate to skin tone.
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.

MALE STUDENTS: PRE-SCHOOL BALLET (AGES 3-4), BEGINNER BALLET (AGES 5-7) & ELEMENTARY BALLET (AGES 8+)			
Top	From Ballera	Style: Short Sleeve	Color: White
Bottoms	From Ballera	Style: Shorts	Color: Black
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Bloch	Style: Leather – Full Sole	Color: Black

ADULT OPEN BALLET (Ages 16+)			
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Clothing	Ballet attire (any leotard, pink or skin tone tights, and low-rise shorts or wrap skirt) OR comfortable, non-baggy athletic wear		

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING (Ballet 1+)	
Shoes	Socks or ballet shoes
Clothing	Comfortable, non-baggy athletic wear OR ballet attire (any leotard, pink or skin tone convertible tights, and low-rise shorts)

BALLET TECHNIQUE (Ballet 3-5)			
Ballet Shoes	Brand: Capezio	Style: Canvas – Split Sole	Color: Pink or appropriate for skin tone.
Clothing	Ballet attire (any leotard, pink or skin tone convertible tights, and low-rise shorts or wrap skirt) OR comfortable, non-baggy athletic wear		

PROGRESSING BALLET TECHNIQUE (Ballet 3-5 OR Ages 16+)	
Shoes	Grippy socks, socks, or ballet shoes
Clothing	Comfortable, non-baggy athletic wear OR ballet attire (any leotard, pink or skin tone convertible tights, and low-rise shorts) No loose clothing or ballet wrap skirts may be worn for this class

DANCE FITNESS (Ballet 3-5 OR Ages 16+)	
Shoes	Socks or ballet shoes
Clothing	Comfortable, non-baggy athletic wear OR ballet attire (any leotard, pink or skin tone tights, and low-rise shorts or wrap skirt)

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Irish Dress Code

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- SSA has a limited number of used dance shoes and new socks in stock for purchase.
- For any new shoes, socks, or accessories, they can order through [Gibson Irish Dance Imports](#). Please check with the teacher before ordering so they can confirm shoe size and style or that any accessory being ordered is correct.
- Poodle socks should be the [Reel Champ Ultra Lows](#) - if they do not own these, they will need to purchase them if they are in troupe or showcase.
- [Black leotards](#) for shows will be needed for Novice 2 and up.
- IMPORTANT: Dancers in Novice 1 and up **MUST** wear black leggings or black shorts! If dancers are wearing anything other than this, they will be asked to change before coming back to class. Novice 1 and up dancers must also wear black top or Schauer Center t-shirt. If they don't own either of these, then any athletic top is appropriate as long as it is a plain tee.
- Long hair should be secured away from face. No jewelry allowed.

NOTE: Schauer will be hosting a dance attire fitting with Gibson Irish Imports at the Creative Arts Studios on Tuesday, September 15, 4:00-7:30 pm. Watch your email for fitting slot information.

LITTLE LADS & LASSES		
Outfit	Plain White T-Shirt & Plain Black Athletic Shorts	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows optional for class but will be required for showcase.	
Shoes	Leather Shoes	Dancers' Choice: Black Ballet Shoes, Black Jazz Shoes, or Irish Soft Shoes.

IRISH 1 - IRISH 2		
Top	Plain White T-Shirt or Schauer performance T-shirts.	
Bottoms	Plain Black Athletic Shorts	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows optional for class but will be required for showcase.	
Shoes	Leather Shoes	New Dancers: Dancers' Choice: Black Ballet Shoes, Black Jazz Shoes, or Irish Soft Shoes, but Irish shoes will be required for showcase. Returning/Continuing Dancers: Irish Soft Shoes

IRISH NOVICE - IRISH OPEN		
Top	Plain black athletic shirt or Schauer performance T-shirts.	
Bottoms	Plain Black Athletic Shorts or leggings	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows optional for class but will be required for showcase. Required Class socks: White ankle or higher	
Soft Shoes	Irish Soft Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher
Hard Shoes	Irish Hard Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher New Dancers: Dancers who are new to hard shoe begin in used shoes.

COMPETITION DANCE: COMPETITION COSTUME		
Top	Long Sleeve Leotard	
Bottoms	Black short skirt (Check with instructor for style approval)	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows If you are under 14 you can wear short poodle socks. If you are over 14, you will wear black tights that are 70 denier or higher	
Soft Shoes	Irish Soft Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher
Hard Shoes	Irish Hard Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher New Dancers: Dancers who are new to hard shoe begin in used shoes.
Makeup	NO MAKEUP for dancers under 12. This is a strict rule. Any dancers over 12 may wear makeup.	
Hair	Hair in a some up some down look, with a white bow. Not tight curls but soft full curls. 6" White Bow	

IRISH PERFORMANCE TROUPE: AUDITIONS		
Top	Plain black athletic shirt	
Bottoms	Plain black leggings	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows	
Soft Shoes	Irish Soft Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher
Hard Shoes	Irish Hard Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher

IRISH PERFORMANCE TROUPE: CLASS/REHEARSALS		
Top	Plain black athletic shirt or Schauer performance T-shirts.	
Bottoms	Plain Black Athletic Shorts or leggings	
Socks	Reel Champ Ultra Lows optional for class but will be required for showcase. Required Class socks: White ankle or higher	
Soft Shoes	Irish Soft Shoes	New Options: Contact Gibson Irish Imports Used Options: talk to your child's teacher
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