

GBC Dance 2026-2027 Information for Fall Semester

We are so excited that your child will be with us for dance classes this fall! Below are some important details regarding attire and other matters pertaining to this semester. Please read these carefully!

Girls' Attire:

- pink or skin-colored tights for all levels
- pink ballet shoes for all levels
- tan buckle tap shoes for Discover Dance 1 (DD1), Discover Dance 2 (DD2), Discover Dance 3 (DD3), Dance 1 and Dance 2
- black buckle tap shoes for Dance 3
- Level-specific short sleeved leotard (see below)

Boys' Attire:

all levels – black shorts or thin sweatpants, white t-shirt, black ballet shoes and black tap lace-up shoes

Each class will have a specific color leotard to wear: NO SKIRTS please!!

- Discover Dance 1 – light pink short-sleeved leotard (no attached skirts)
- Discover Dance 2 – white short-sleeved leotard
- Discover Dance 3- light blue short-sleeved leotard (baby blue)
- Dance 1 – lavender short-sleeved leotard (very light purple)
- Dance 2 – dark purple short sleeved leotard
- Dance 3 – dark green short sleeved leotard
- Teens/Adults – whatever you are comfortable in

Please consider purchasing your dancewear at one of the local dancewear shops. It is important for your ballet and tap shoes to fit correctly and the employees at the dancewear shops know how to fit them. Barbara's Dancewear, now located at 2021 S. Germantown Rd, Suite 1, should have the leotards as well as the tap and ballet shoes. America's Dancewear in Collierville should have the shoes but we are uncertain about their leotard selection. Barbara's dancewear will give a 10% discount if you tell her you are dancing at Germantown Baptist! The dance shoes at stores like Amazon or Target are not great quality. The ballet shoe leather is not supple enough to conform to the student's feet.

Please do not purchase a leotard that has an attached skirt. While it is adorable, we cannot see what we need to see to work on posture if part of them is hidden behind a skirt! If you would like to purchase an unattached skirt, please know that your child will be asked to remove the skirt for class.

It is not necessary to wear underwear under your leotards and tights. Your child will be covered by 2 layers of fabric so a third isn't needed.

Hair – if at all possible, please have your dancer's hair in a bun for each class. If her hair is too short for a bun, please secure it away from her face. It is hard to dance if your hair is falling in your face!

Please note that a neat and tidy look is part of a dancer's image. We are working toward being elegant and strong dancers and it is easier to imagine ourselves as a dancer if we look like one. However, we are aware that many of our students are coming straight from school and we are sympathetic that there is limited time to get ready. We will never comment on your child's appearance.