

# ORLANDO BALLET SCHOOL

## Scholarship Guidelines

Orlando Ballet School is pleased to offer a limited number of scholarships available to intermediate and advanced-level students in the pre-professional program (levels Preparatory and up). Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and the potential to achieve a professional career in ballet. The number of available awards and the amounts of each award is dependent upon contributed income and careful consideration is given to all requests for assistance.

Scholarships are awarded for limited periods of time—one regular school year (August-May). Students seeking support for summer programs must apply separately. All students must reapply for scholarship awards each year. Scholarship awards are applied only to regular tuition fees and are non-transferable. Students are responsible for all additional fees including, but not limited to registration fees, recital fees, Intensive tuition fees, competition fees, Nutcracker audition and participation fees, and other performance fees.

### Application Process

Applying for a scholarship is a two-step process:

- All students seeking scholarships for the regular school year program must participate in a placement/scholarship class. A scholarship class for current students will be scheduled at the end of the school year prior to the year for which he/she is seeking support. Scholarship classes for new students (and returning students who missed the previous class) will be conducted at each OBS campus during registration week prior to start of the new school year.
- All students seeking scholarships must complete a scholarship application form (page 2) which will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee made up of OBS staff members and members of Orlando Ballet's Board of Directors. Scholarship applicants are also required to submit family financial information (the first two pages of your most recently filed tax return) and students are required to submit a written statement (page 3). All financial information will remain confidential. Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

Applications may be returned to:

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**The deadline for current students to submit a scholarship application for the 2011-12 school year is Friday, August 19, 2011.**

Students will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision before the start of the session for which the students has applied. All additional fees and any outstanding tuition fees (for partial scholarship awards) must be paid prior to the start of classes. All scholarship award decisions are expected to remain confidential.

### Expectations

Students receiving scholarships are expected to:

- Abide by all Orlando Ballet School policies and to set a standard of achievement for all other students
- Attend all classes within their given level and make up all missed classes in a timely fashion.
- Be fully committed to training at OBS and should not attend ballet classes at other arts organizations.
- Provide support to Orlando Ballet or Orlando Ballet School in one of the following areas:
  - Assisting with lower level ballet classes
  - Assisting with Orlando Ballet or Orlando Ballet School office work
  - Assisting in the Orlando Ballet Wardrobe Department
  - Assisting with school outreach performances and/or recitals
  - Cleaning of break rooms and/or dance studios
  - Other areas at the request of the School Director or School Manager

\*If the student is too young or if the student's schedule does not permit them to help in the above listed areas, the student's parent or guardian is expected to volunteer for Orlando Ballet or OBS in a similar fashion.

Suggested area(s) of support will be indicated in each student's scholarship notification. Students receiving financial assistance must sign a Financial Assistance Agreement before their award is activated.

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## Scholarship Application Financial Information Form

Student Name:	Current OBS Campus & Level:	DOB:	Age:	Parent/Guardian Name(s):
Email Address:	Daytime Phone:		Evening Phone:	
Mailing Address:	City:		State:	Zip:
Parent/Guardian's Employer(s):	Employee's Phone:	Employer's Address:		

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Family's Monthly EXPENSES	Family's Monthly INCOME	EXPENSES EXPLANATION	
Rent or Mortgage	Salary or Wages		
Utilities (Electric, Water, Gas)	Alimony		
Phone	Government Assistance		
Medical Insurance	Other (Please Explain)		
Auto Insurance	<b>Total Monthly Income</b> \$ _____		
Life Insurance	<b>X 12 months = Total Annual Income</b>		
Other Insurance	\$ _____		
Medical Expenses	**Please be sure to include a copy of your most recently filed IRS tax return. We only require the first two pages of your Form 1040. If the income you have listed above is different from that listed on your tax return, please explain in the box to the right.		INCOME EXPLANATION
Food			
Public Transportation Expense			
Auto Loan Payments			
Other Loans (Please Explain)			
Miscellaneous (Please Explain)			
<b>Total Monthly Expenses</b> \$ _____			

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION (Applications that do not include the required documentation will be determined ineligible for financial aid consideration)**

- Copy of last year's Internal Revenue Service Tax Return (first two pages only, social security numbers can be marked out)
- Student written statement

<b>OBS Use Only:</b> Approved _____ Declined _____	Reason:	Value \$	Talent:	Work Study:
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Scoring (minimum 6 points required) Need _____ Ability _____	DATE RECEIVED: _____
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APPROVED BY: _____, Director, Orlando Ballet School
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