

# THE ACADEMY

at MTYB

*"Exceptional dancers, in my experience, are also exceptional people... people with an attitude toward life, a kind of quest..."*

*-Mikhail Baryshnikov*

## *The Academy at MTYB*

Established in 2016, The Academy is a private, comprehensive performing arts school that combines an individualized, college preparatory education with focused training in dance and the fine arts. Offered in a positive, value-centered environment, the academic curriculum utilizes one of the following online partners:

The Keystone School, Tennessee Connections Academy, Tennessee Virtual School, or Robertson County Virtual School. The Academy is designed for students entering Kindergarten through 12th grade.

## *Academy Students*

The Academy students attend daily in person classes and are tutored by a certified teacher in a structured environment. Curriculum is chosen so that it is best suited for your child. Students will receive individual instruction each day. Students will complete four academic blocks each day subdivided based on grade and level. Our academic blocks include a literary block, math/technology block, social studies/science block, and a fine arts/health and wellness block. Academy students are encouraged to attend evening dance classes at the studio of his/her choice. Our fine arts goal is to train dancers to be knowledgeable in all genres of dance so that they will be prepared for acceptance into dance major programs at the college of their choice. Our academic goal for each student is to provide a high level of education in order to prepare them for success in college.

Due to the rigorous training in academics as well as dance, there are limited spaces open in The Academy. It is a very structured and challenging atmosphere in which we produce highly successful academic students as well as dancers. Admission for grades 6th - 12th is by audition only.

*To be considered for The Academy grades 6th - 12th, students must meet the following criteria:*

- ◆ *Audition (in person or video) for all students*
- ◆ *"A-B" level student in public or private schools for grades 3rd and up*
- ◆ *Intermediate or above level dancer for grades 6th and up*
- ◆ *Recommendation letter from dance educator for grades 6th and up*
- ◆ *Interviews with The Academy staff for grades 6th and up*

*Applications are accepted from January 1 – July 1, 2020, for the 2020-2021 school year. For an application and to schedule an audition, email our Artistic Director, Tiffany Payton, at [info@mtyb.org](mailto:info@mtyb.org)*



## Academic Program

- Students may choose a public online school, Tennessee Connections Academy, Tennessee Virtual School or the Robertson County Virtual School, at no additional cost. Students of the Robertson County Virtual School or the Tennessee Virtual School may be actively involved with the public school's co-curricular activities and clubs.
- If you prefer a private online program, we offer the Keystone School. The Keystone School is an accredited high school degree granting program which is licensed by the State Board of Private License Schools. For more information on the academic offerings of Keystone, please visit their website at <http://keystoneschoolonline.com/>.
- All of these accredited programs provide flexibility in scheduling and individual support from certified instructors.
- Students utilize textbooks, distance-based technology, and individual instruction to learn at a pace suited to their needs.
- Academic classes are held five days each week. During that time, students move at a pace suited to their individual needs.
- Dual enrollment classes are available.
- Eligible students may join the MTYB Chapter of the National Honors Society for Dance Arts.



## Tuition

- \$25.00 Application Fee
- \$6950.00 Tuition
- \$200.00 Administrative Fee
- \$175.00 Technology Fee

*Tuition and fees are non-refundable.  
Tuition does not include Academy  
Uniforms. Payment plans are available.*

*Before and after care available.*

## Dance Curriculum

The dance curriculum of the MTYB Academy is the American Ballet Theatre National Training Curriculum, which combines scientific principles with elements from the classic French, Italian, and Russian schools of training. Consistent with the stylistic requirements of ABT, the MTYB Academy

aims to provide dancers with a rich knowledge of classical technique and the ability to adapt to all styles and techniques of dance. MTYB Academy classes include Classical Ballet Technique, Pointe, Variations, Contemporary, Modern, Jazz, and Tap or Character. In addition, students participate in classes on Dance History, Choreography, Music, Art, French, Nutrition, Dancer's Health, Stress Management, Strength Training, and Resume Writing/Career Options. Dance classes are held each day of the week.



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