



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 2021 SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT:

#### What are the dates of the program?

Our arrival day for the Summer Intensive Program is Sunday June 20, 2021; and departure day is Sunday July 25, 2021.

#### Is it possible to attend less than the 5 week program?

All resident students must attend all 5 weeks as the dormitory space is limited as a result of the pandemic. Only Virtual Students will have the option of attending less than the full program.

#### I have been invited to the Summer Program. When do I submit my deposit?

To enroll in the Kirov Academy Summer Intensive, you must pay either the \$400 Enrollment Fee or \$1,900 Enrollment Fee plus the Artistic Tuition Deposit in order to submit the Enrollment Contract. We enroll on a first-come, first-served basis; once the program reaches capacity, we can no longer accept enrollments.

#### Where can I find tuition and deposit information?

Please visit our [Kirov Academy website](#) and go to Programs > Ballet > Summer Intensive Program. The webpage will include the tuition and fees for the Summer Intensive Program.

#### Can I be considered for the Year-Round Program regardless of audition method?

Yes. Students showing a high degree of artistic talent and potential to succeed in the Vaganova curriculum may be invited directly into the Year-Round Program without being required to attend summer first. These students are notified at the time of receiving their audition results.

#### I have been placed on the Wait List after my audition. What should I do?

Status updates will be made on March 4, 2021 and invitations will be sent via email.

#### Does KA offer scholarships for the Summer Intensive?

The Academy offers a limited number of artistic scholarships that are granted at the sole discretion of the Artistic Director and are independent of student/parent requests. *Artistic awards are based solely on artistic merit and applied to artistic tuition only.* Students who receive a scholarship are notified with their audition results. **Financial aid is not offered for the Summer Program.**

#### Does KA have a payment plan option?

We do NOT offer payment plans for summer tuition payments. Please contact the Admissions Office ([admissions@kabdc.org](mailto:admissions@kabdc.org)) for more information.

#### When is the due date for full tuition?

April 2, 2021. After this date, withdrawal refunds are only considered for a documented medical withdrawal upon approval of the Executive Director.  
The Enrollment Fee of \$400 is non-refundable.

#### When will I receive my enrollment package?

Those who've submitted an SIP Enrollment Contract will receive a packet in late February.



## **ABOUT THE SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM:**

### **How many students attend the Summer Intensive?**

Our on-site program reaches capacity at 160 dancers. Class sizes range from 20 to 30 students for girls and 10 to 20 for boys. Because of the pandemic, class size will be determined by the number of students allowed to be in a studio at one time according to the DC Department of Health.

### **How will I know what level or class I will be placed in?**

In keeping with the traditional Vaganova method, students are assigned to their ballet groups based on age. Initial group assignments are not a reflection of the student's talent or ability. However, after observation, adjustments may be made in the first week of the program. Students will receive their class assignment during check-in on arrival day. We are not able to give this information out prior to arrival day.

### **Is pointe class offered?**

Yes.

### **Is partnering class offered?**

Partnering is typically offered to the advanced levels, once or twice a week. If the schedule allows, we try to offer partnering to the younger levels, although this is not guaranteed. However, as a result of the pandemic, Partnering Class may not be held.

### **How much ballet instruction do students typically receive each day?**

Students are scheduled in their ballet class for 3 hours each day, Monday – Friday. The other 3 hours of the day are spent in classes like contemporary, character, floor barre, ballet history, drama, nutrition, etc. Saturday is a half day, consisting of non-ballet dance classes.

### **Will I know my ballet teacher in advance?**

No. Class placement is shared with students on arrival/registration day.

### **Are parents allowed to watch classes during the program?**

In order to respect the learning environment and eliminate distractions, parents are not permitted to watch classes in progress. Because of the pandemic, parents may not be able to enter the Kirov Academy premises. The FAQs will be updated closer to the start of the Summer intensive.

## **TRANSPORTATION LOGISTICS:**

### **How will my child travel to/from Kirov Academy if I am unable to accompany him/her?**

KA will pick up and drop off students traveling unaccompanied from Reagan National Airport (DCA) and Union Station. We pick up between the hours of 8 am and 6 pm on the designated arrival day (June 20). On departure day (July 25), students must vacate their dorm rooms by noon and have departure times prior to 3 pm. More details are offered in the enrollment packet.

**IMPORTANT:** Students traveling with a parent/guardian or students arriving at other airports (BWI, Dulles) must arrange their own transportation to and from KA. Only international students will be picked up at Dulles International Airport (IAD), but only on the designated Travel Days.



**Can I ship boxes to KA in advance of the summer program?**

Yes. Please feel free to ship especially bulky items/packages to KA to use during the Summer Intensive Program (for instance, boxes filled with linens or other residential needs). The Academy is not responsible for shipping boxes back to students at the end of the session. All items need to be shipped to KA and addressed as follows:

*Student Full Name  
Summer Intensive Program  
Kirov Academy of Washington DC  
4301 Harewood Road NE  
Washington, DC 20017*

**Do you recommend any hotels when visiting Kirov Academy?**

**Hampton Inn & Homewood Suites**

[www.hamptoninn3hilton.com](http://www.hamptoninn3hilton.com)

[www.hilton.com](http://www.hilton.com)

Corporate Code: 0003092682

**Kimpton George hotel**

<https://www.hotelgeorge.com/>

Corporate Code: 786838733

**Hyatt Hotels**

<https://www.hyatt.com/destinations/washington-dc>

Corporate Code: 207128

**HOUSING AND RESIDENT LIFE:**

**I would prefer that my child live at KA, may I request this?**

Because of the parameters surrounding the pandemic, the Kirov Academy dormitory may be the only housing available to Summer Intensive students. More information will be forthcoming closer to the start date of the Summer Intensive.

In past years, the determining factors for assigning dorms are birth date and number of students. We CANNOT promise housing locations to any 13 or 14 year old as enrollment may change at the last minute. We cannot make exceptions. The youngest students stay in the Kirov Academy (KA) dormitory.

**What are the dorm rooms like?**

Rooms are double-occupancy and air-conditioned. The majority of dorm bathrooms are shared with those on the same hall floor.

**What do students need to bring with them to live in the dorms?**

A comprehensive list is available to students that enroll. Important items on the list include: alarm clock, bed linens, towels, personal toiletries, sunscreen, Pilates/yoga mat, and foam roller.

We encourage ALL students to have a working cell phone in their possession; however, we discourage the use of expensive electronics as they can get damaged or stolen.



**Is there WiFi during the Summer Intensive Program?**

We have WiFi for students in the KA building, and also have computers in the Recreation Room that students can access throughout the day and the evening. We encourage students to minimize their use of computers and engage in activities with their friends in the evenings!

**How are roommate requests handled?**

Enrolled students will fill out a roommate request form included as part of the enrollment packet. If a student requests a specific roommate, both students must request each other in order for the request to be honored. Dormitory assignments are based on age.

**How are meals handled?**

Meals are included in the cost of Room and Board for resident students. Commuter students are required to purchase a meal plan, unless approved by our school nurse to opt-out for medical or religious reasons. Students with dietary restrictions or concerns should discuss them with the school nurse before arrival day, or at orientation.

**What is oversight like?**

The KA dorms are staffed 24-hours a day with professionally trained resident advisors. There is also 24-hour front door security staff.

**Are students chaperoned when off campus?**

Students age 13 and under who live at KA are chaperoned at all times when off campus. A variety of in-house and external activities are offered for students who are too young to leave campus on their own.

Students 14 and older, are permitted to walk around the campus and leave the premises in groups based on their assigned code. These excursions are not chaperoned. Resident advisors plan in-house activities for students who don't go out in the evenings. Off campus activities may be minimized as a result of the pandemic for safety and health reasons.

**Can I allow my child to go out in smaller groups than designated by the age requirements?**

No. We do **not** upgrade students above their age, even with parental permission. We also do not recommend downgrading a student, though, ultimately, it is the parent's decision to do this. Our Leave Permission Codes are based on thorough knowledge of our neighborhood and city, as well as years of experience managing students in our programs.

**Is physical therapy offered during the Summer Intensive?**

We offer PT services in-house for students that PT. Students should not attend the program if they have injuries that prevent or hinder them from dancing.

**Are there planned activities for my child when they are not dancing?**

We offer socially distanced activities like virtual movies nights, s'mores making, arts & crafts, and more for all resident students. Our Resident Life staff work hard to create an enriching residential experience. Weekly trips *may be arranged* to either Walmart, Target, CVS, or Yes! Organic Market for all resident students depending on the pandemic.

**Are housekeeping services offered?**

No. Students are responsible for keeping their rooms tidy and doing their own laundry. Laundry machines are available. Students must supply their own detergent. Detergent is available for purchase at KA's boutique.



**How do students receive mail?**

For packages, all students must check at the front desk. Staff notifies students who have not claimed their package after a period of time. For mail, each student is assigned a file folder, which is located at the bottom of the stairwell near the cafeteria.

**OTHER:**

**Is there an end of summer performance?**

Unfortunately, because of the pandemic, Kirov is not scheduling an end of the program performance. This could change depending upon how things evolve.

**ARTISTIC DRESS CODE:**

Dance Shoe Policy:

Students and/or parents are responsible for providing dance shoes.

Dance Attire Requirements:

Students and/or parents are responsible for providing dance attire. No other garments are to be worn during class. Students not dressed appropriately will not be allowed into the classroom and will receive an unexcused absence.

**Please Note that the Kirov Boutique will not have Summer Uniform Leotards in Stock. Please purchase your summer uniform needs at Footlights and on the Footlights website, Kirov Page:**

**<https://dancefootlights.com>**

1) Upon registering for an account on the Footlights website, please be sure to put Kirov Academy on the 'Studio Name' line. If you have registered previously on the Footlights site, log in with your Username and Password. Under Account Information, click "Edit" and add Kirov Academy to the \*Studio Name line and save. Your account will be updated and you can continue with your order.

Direct Links to Footlights

Ladies: <https://www.dancefootlights.com/custom/yourstudio-kirov-ladiessummer>

Boys: <https://www.dancefootlights.com/custom/yourstudio-kirov-summerbb14>

Men: <https://www.dancefootlights.com/custom/yourstudio-kirov-summerbm58>

Footlights Frederick  
301 East Church St  
Frederick, MD 21701  
301-696-1558

Footlights Silver Spring  
938 Wayne Ave  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
301-326-4351

Footlights Alexandria  
6448 Lansdowne Center  
Alexandria, VA 22315  
703-373-3254

**To save time, money, and luggage room, please purchase all your school needs at Footlights online. They will ship your child's order directly to the Academy, ready for you to pick up on Registration Day.**



**Footlights Representatives will be onsite at Registration to help you with any further needs.**  
**All dancewear should be labeled with the student's name.** Students should arrive at Kirov Academy of Washington DC with a minimum of a month's supply of ballet class attire consisting of the following items:

**SUMMER 2020  
Ballet Boys 1-4**

**Ballet Class**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
Black Split - Sole Ballet Slippers  
White Split - Sole Ballet Slippers  
White Mid Calf Socks

Black Waist Elastic Will Be Provided by the Kirov Boutique

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**Character, Historical, or Folk Dance**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
Capezio: EJ1 Black Lace Jazz Shoe

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**Jazz Class**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights or Black Dance Shorts  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
So Danca: JZ45 Caramel Pull-on Jazz Shoe/ Or any Pull-on Jazz Shoe that is your Skin Tone

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**Contemporary, Floor Barre, & Pilates**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
Barefoot, Dance Paws or Socks (Optional)  
Yoga Mat & Roller

**Ballet Men 5 - 8**

**Ballet Class**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
Or  
Wear Moi: White Haxo Shirt  
Black Split - Sole Ballet Slippers  
White Split - Sole Ballet Slippers  
White Mid Calf Socks

Haxo Shirt Runs Big Please Order a Size Smaller.  
Horacio Runs True to Size.



Black Waist Elastic Belt Will Be Supplied by the Kirov Boutique

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**Character or Folk Dance**

Wear Moi: Black Hidalgo Tights  
Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attach Dance Belt  
Or  
Wear Moi: White Haxo Shirt  
Capezio: EJ1 Black Lace Jazz Shoe

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Wear Moi: White Horacio Shirt with Attached Dance Belt  
Or  
Wear Moi: White Haxo Shirt  
Barefoot, Dance Paws & Socks (Optional)  
Yoga Mat & Roller

**All Girls and Ladies Classes**

**Ballet Tech -- Pointe & Variation**

Nikolay: Style Ellen Da2002/1MPN      Grey Leotard No #31  
Nikolay: Style Clara 06017/N      Grey Skirt      No # 31  
Nikolay: Style L2 PRGN Convertible Tights Adult, Color Pink  
Nikolay: Style 0050/0N Child Convertible Tights, Color Pink  
Nikolay: Style Canvas Ballet Slippers Split-Sole Color: Ballet Pink  
Nikolay: Style no# 0510/8N      Elasticized ribbon 25mm, 2m      Pink

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**Floor Barre, Contemporary, & Pilates**

Ballet Class Leotard  
Black Footless Tights or Black Dance Shorts  
Barefoot, Dance Paws & Socks (Optional)  
Yoga Mat and Roller

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**Jazz**



Ballet Class Leotard

Tights: Black Footless or Black Dance Shorts

So Danca: Jazz Shoe Style # JZ 75L Canvas Stretch, Nude

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### **Character, Historical, or Folk Dance**

Ballet Class Leotard

Nikolay Tights Pink

### **Level 2-3 &4**

Historical Skirt: Nikolay Little Calyssa: Style no# DAD 1478N

Folk & Character Skirt: Color White

<https://www.nikolay-world.com/Product/en-US/DAD1478N/little-calyssa-folk-character-skirt-youth-siz>

### **Level 5-6 7-8 & Pre Pro**

Mirella: MS12 Black Wrap Skirt

Sansha Prima: Pink Leather Shoe Level 2-3 & 4 Historical dance

Sansha Prima: Black Leather Shoe Level 5-6, 7-8 & pre-pro Character Dance

<https://nydancestore.com/sansha-leather-teacher-s-prima-te2l-68025.html>

### **Important Information**

- 1) Please place your order for The Kirov Academy Summer Intensive Uniform Requirements, through Footlights **before April 25, 2021**.
- 2) On Saturdays you may wear non-uniform Ballet Attire for your classes, as long as what you wear is **Age-Appropriate** (e.g., no bold patterns or fluorescent colors!). Because your child will be wearing their uniform 5 days a week, it is suggested to purchase at least 2 to 3.