



Examiners from the I.S.T.D and R.A.D visit Studio 2000 twice a year.

Exam day procedures

Exams must be paid in full at least 8 weeks before exam day, these are non-refundable unless accompanied by a doctors certificate and then money is knocked off a future examination (these are dance faculties rules, not mine).

On exam day students must arrive and be ready at least half an hour before allocated time (earlier if you are having your hair braided by our hairdresser). People who are late will unfortunately not be accepted as the examiner has a tight schedule by which she has to stick, so it is very important that you double check exam times which will be featured on this website.

Presentation is very important, please ensure uniform and shoes are clean, no make-up must be worn nor jewellery and hair accessories must be as discreet as possible. The idea is that no child has a visible advantage over the others. Please ensure underwear is plain and hidden (and preferably not worn where possible) after all you don't wear any under your swimming costume!

Parents and teachers are not allowed in the room or to sneak a look during the examination (with the exception of pre-primary ballet when I go in with them).

We have to be as quiet as possible on the day as noise carries upstairs and may be off-putting. Results arrive approximately 6 weeks after exam.

I like to hand these to the children privately in a sealed envelope for you to open together at home. As I am sure you will appreciate not everybody is going to do as well as others and young children sometimes find this distressing. For me exam results are a very personal achievement and an indication that you are ready to move on to the next grade. Please remember examinations are NOT for everybody and please be assured that your child can progress just as well and move up with their friends regardless, and perhaps take an exam further down the line when "they" feel ready. The main policy of the school is "HAVE FUN!"

R.A.D BALLET REGULATION EXAMINATION UNIFORM

PRE-PRIMARY & PRIMARY Lilac leotard, lilac chiffon skirt, lilac belt, pink ballet socks, pink leather ballet shoes

HAIR 2 plaits across head

PROPS 2 cheerleading pompoms

GRADE 1 Lilac leotard, lilac belt, pink ballet socks/ballet tights, pink leather ballet shoes, black character shoes, black character skirt

HAIR In bun

PROPS Embroidered handkerchief and plain chiffon scarf

GRADE 2 (see Grade 1) minus embroidered handkerchief plus small cushion

GRADE3/4/5 Navy leotard, navy belt, pink ballet tights, pink leather ballet shoes, black character shoes, black character skirt.

GRADE 6 and above (see Carol)

I.S.T.D MODERN/TAP REGULATION EXAMINATION UNIFORM

PRIMARY - GRADE 2 Red lycra leotard, white belt, white lycra tights, bare feet, white tap shoes

GRADE 3 and above Red lycra leotard, black belt, black lycra tights, black tap shoes(when grown out of white ones) Jazz shoes are required for jazz class and shows, white for juniors and black for seniors **HAIR** French braid. NB. French braid is required for exams as there is a lot of floor work, if the student has hair in bun the line of the head and neck is affected.