

# The Raleigh School of Ballet

## Distance Learning Guidelines and Instructions for A Levels

### DRESS REQUIREMENTS

- Students must be dressed and ready for class as if they are participating in-studio. Attire information is located in your Akada account under the child's class. Click Requirements.

### LOGIN AND PASSWORD INFORMATION

- Zoom Login and password is found in your Akada account under the child's class. Click on Virtual Class Settings.
- Copy and paste into your Zoom account.
- Although there is an option to login directly through Akada, we have found it does not work as well as logging in through Zoom.
- Login and password remains the same for the entire academic year.

### PREPARING FOR CLASS

Within the limitations of your home environment, try to create a space that is conducive to taking a ballet class. This includes:

- Providing a sturdy object to be their barre
- Providing a quiet area that is free from distractions.
  - The area should be large enough for non-traveling center work without hitting anything.
  - It is very important for the teacher to be able to see the student. Please help your child find a barre and center spot where their whole body is visible on the screen.
- Discussing the importance of remaining engaged as they would in an in-person class and that they should do their best and not allow outside things to distract them.
- Being available to help them stay focused.
  - We have found that our younger students are better off not being alone in their bedrooms and that they do better with a parent nearby to encourage and assist if they become distracted.

We recommend a portable dance floor. Click below for one option:

<https://raleighballet.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/In-home-dance-floor-recomendation.pdf>

### ENTERING CLASS

- It is important to be on time for class. **Please login a few minutes before class** begins to give you and your child time to set up. When logging in please "rename" if it is not your child's name on the device
  - Your child will enter the waiting room to be invited in by the teacher.
  - Make sure your video and audio is enabled.
- Check the lighting in the room.

- A lot of natural light is best. It is hard to see a student when they are standing in front of a window or back lit
- Light coming from the side or top is the best. Lamps can create glare and should be far enough away so they are not in line with the camera.

## **DURING CLASS**

- If the student has a question they may raise their hand for the teacher to call on them
- During a “regular” academic year when all students are in-studio, they are required to ask permission to leave and re-enter a class. This year, each teacher will address, in the beginning of class, their preference for online students requesting to leave and re-enter the room.
- We understand internet issues and that students may be kicked off - they should just re-login as quickly as possible.
- Please email us the day of class to let us know if you need to log in late or leave early for any class

## **Returning to In-Studio Classes**

- Please let us know if you would like to return to an in-studio class option