

THE GEORGIA BALLET

Getting Your Son Started in Dance

Becoming a dancer is often seen as an entirely feminine career choice and this cannot be more untrue! Males have tons of potential to have a rewarding career in dance and can benefit greatly from starting at an early age – physically, mentally, socially and financially.

In order to be a successful ballet dancer, your child must be in good physical shape. If your son is particularly energetic, he will be thrilled with the high intensity of a ballet class (and if he's younger, he is able to start in classes that are generally freer in movement and will begin focusing his energy). There are many physical benefits to getting your child started in dance, some of which include: an improvement to his motor skills, flexibility, coordination, strength and posture.

Students and studies alike find that those who dance ballet have been found to attain better listening skills, memory/ spatial awareness, creative abilities, perseverance, focus and dedication in school than their non-dancing counterparts.

Socially, ballet students learn how to better interact and communicate with their peers. Being a dancer will expose your child to a variety of people that will help him socially in non-dance experiences, such as at school.

Finally, there are numerous opportunities afforded to male ballet dancers. Since male dancers are few and far between, the need for them is greater than for female dancers and with that the paychecks tend to be bigger and the gigs more consistent.

Successful male dancers are also seen as rock stars in the dance world and one day your dancer can be among them. For more information on the classes at The Georgia Ballet School, please visit <http://www.georgiaballet.org/#!school-/cpok> and if you have any questions on enrolling your dancer in classes, please do not hesitate to call (770)528-0881. We hope to see you and your student here soon!