ABT
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE
RISE

Dear Parent,

The ABT Engagement department is offering a high school audition prep workshop for 8th grade students who are planning to apply to select performing arts high school dance programs for the 2026-27 school year.

This workshop provides an opportunity for students to build their confidence while taking a ballet class with our ABT faculty, and to review and receive coaching on the pre-set video audition combinations. Following our class and coaching session, we will learn some general information and tips for filming the audition submissions or attending live auditions. Students should learn both the ballet and modern video audition combinations in the link below before aJending the workshop. Students are also encouraged to present their solos for feedback.

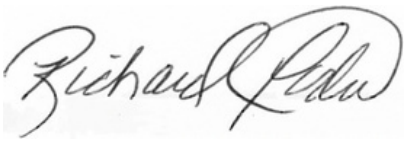
The workshop will take place on **Saturday, November 7** from 1:45pm-4:30pm at ABT's studios located at 890 Broadway, New York, NY 10003. Please see the schedule below.

***ABT RISE* Selective High School Audition Preparation Workshop**
1:45 - 2:00pm: Students and Parents – Studio 3 Check-In (2nd floor)
2:00 - 2:15pm: Studying Dance in High School Information Session for Parents & Students
2:15- 3:10pm: Ballet class as an audition experience
3:15 – 4:15pm: Coaching on the ballet and modern preset video audition combinations
4:15 - 4:45pm: Break into groups to share/receive feedback on individual solos
4:45pm: Dismissal in Studio 3

Deadline to Register: Thursday, November 5, 2026.

Ifyou have any questions, please send an email to rtoda@abt.org or schoolprograms@abt.org.

Sincerely,



Richard Toda
Artistic Manager, ABT Engagement

Register Here

Below are links for students to review prior to attending the workshop prep session.

NYC DOE High School Audition Information:
https://www.schools.nyc.gov/enrollment/enroll-grade-by-grade/high-school/high-school-auditions
Click on 'Dance' and read through all the material, school options and links to videos and music.

General Audition Requirements for NYC DOE Performing Arts High Schools:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1X4uEYfGqki2ZTukUx804xbjVqh-n6lbm/view

Pre-set Audition Combinations:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eOtChdJksXi3NQNJrMeMr8r7pD7IJh9n/edit
For the session on 11/7/26, you should learn both the ballet and modern pre-set combinations from this link and learn the material to the best of your ability based on the video. At the prep session, faculty will coach students on this material to prepare for video/live auditions.

Audition Preparation Video Series: https://sites.google.com/schools.nyc.gov/teen-arts-audition-prep-series/middle-school-dance