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***NFB Académie** students  
excell academically and receive  
among the highest scores on the  
annual Florida Comprehensive  
Achievement Tests.*

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**NFB**  
*Académie*

*NFB Académie is a free integrated arts and academic education program for third through eighth grade boys and girls who demonstrate the potential to excel in dance. Students selected for the program will have concentrated instruction in ballet as a part of their overall academic and artistic education.*



### *The Academic Program*

The program's commitment to developing the whole person is reflected in its strong academic program which is carefully integrated with artistic development. Students attend classes at the Sybil Lebherz Center for Dance Education Monday through Friday. Certified elementary school teachers, under the direction of the Okaloosa County School District, supervise the program and have charge of the students during the school day.

Academic subjects are reading, writing, math, science, and French (French is the language of ballet instruction). Subjects taught once a week include:

- *Art*—instruction and hands-on projects
- *Music*—singing, listening and learning about music, and playing instruments

All students wear uniforms which are simple and tasteful with everyday and dress-up components.

*Parents play an important role in the Académie, not only by offering encouragement and support, but by serving as volunteers in various aspects of the program.*

### *The Artistic Program*

Ballet instruction is based on the standards of schools of the major European and American ballet organizations.



The training syllabus, unique to NFB Académie, integrates elements from the best in progressive and acclaimed classical ballet training methods, and the latest advances in the science of movement. It is carefully designed to develop young bodies without injury to immature bone and joint structure.

Students are selected by audition for all grades.



No prior training is required. Selection is based solely on the student's potential to learn to dance.