

2022-2023

Project Ballet's Buddy Program



What is the buddy program?

- The buddy program is a perk for students in the training program at Project Ballet.
- Level 1-3 students are paired with a mentor from Level 4, 5, or Advanced. This mentorship lasts the duration of the 2022-23 school year.
- Buddies build a bond by sending messages, giving gifts, and offering words of encouragement and friendship when seeing one another in the building.
- Opportunities for team-building are offered during the year to strengthen the connection between buddies in a casual environment.

Questions?

Contact Miss Hannah:
coaching@projectballet.org

What does my child need to do?

If you/your child is a BIG buddy:

Big buddies are responsible for sending frequent notes to their little buddy(ies) *through the front desk*. This may be weekly or once every other week, but must be consistent. The front desk and Miss Hannah keep track of notes, so it is important that all forms of communication are dropped off *through the front desk* rather than your little buddy's cubby. However, if you see your little buddy in the hallway and would prefer to personally deliver your note/gift, let the front desk know of the hand-off.

Typically around holidays and performances, a big buddy will give their little buddy(ies) a gift. This does not have to be expensive—just a gesture to show appreciation.

This responsibility requires enthusiasm, discipline, accountability, selflessness, and all other components that serve as the standards of a Project Ballet student.

If your child is a LITTLE buddy:

This is an excellent opportunity to ask questions, strengthen their writing skills, and find guidance and connection with a role model. Your buddy can build a special relationship with an older student that can extend way further into their dance education!

We encourage drawing pictures, writing notes, bringing small treats/gifts, etc. Most often, the big buddies hang on to the notes and put them in their lockers!

Have fun! Don't be afraid of your big buddy! Making friends is hard, but all the Level 4+ students are super friendly and want you to feel comfortable!

Buddy Family Assignments

as of Thursday, 9/8/22

Big buddies are on the left in the red box - little buddies are in the same row, listed to the right of their big buddy's name!

Family 1

Zoe Clauser	Charlotte Nix	Frank Crummey
Ellie Reiff	Ellie Degitz	Calla Winsemann
Kate Crummey	Fiona Nix	Norah Cronin
Kennedy Mumaw	Melody Lake	

Family 2

Aubrey Cordes	Emma Scott	Caroline Burkhart
Amelia Kuhns	Jayda Beechy	Amelia Trahin
Julia Carter	Cleo Gerardot	
Alexandra Carter	Hayleigh-Ann Crawford	

Family 3

Victor Fernandes	Everett Odom	
Audrey Mayernik	Sadie Lowenstein	Annika Shrestha
Emily O'Rourke	Perri Lowenstein	Lawson Rex
Indie Navarro	Norah DuCharme	
Elizabeth Wilson	Libby Frazier	

Family 4

Violet Hahn	Teegan Thompson	Violet Lapsley
Ella Niebel	Hadlee Hayden	Mercy Daring
Holly Witchey	Evie Bloom	Clara Harris
Ada Bloom	Molly Becker	

Family 5

Grace Iwen	Addison Foster	Evelyn Hargan
Ashley Thiel	Isla Stansifer	Rowan Vinson
Elise Burkart	Alethia Butler	
Sophia Moord	Dakota Gawlik	

Family 6

Samantha LaSalle	Samantha Reed	Shelby Wilson
Korra Smith	Cora Hewitt	Charlotte Grisham
Emma Reed	Margaret Stanski	
Charli Klink	Anna Fisher	
Josie Morris	Eloise Schofield	

Family 7

Marzee Lewis	Emma Wirgau	Vanessa Flores
Selah Kees	Joslyn Skidmore	Gianna Vanderwall
Mallory Morgan	Gianna Wirgau	Olivia Grogg
Alyssa Schilling	Kelsi Tribble	

Family 8

Kate Martin	Kate McPherson	Leona Dawalt
Avery Rauch	Claire Hagan	
Lucy McLeish	Gwen Pepple	
Layla Suddarth	Madelyn Young	

Family 9

Elisabeth Rowdabaugh	Hope Affholter	Angela Deng
Natalie Faz	Evy Grzetich	Natalee Felton
Melissa Paul	Avalyn Stauffer	Millie Tompkins
Lily Hilger	Juliette Rothgeb	