

The Cecchetti Council



Of America

To Whom It May Concern:

The Cecchetti Council of America is a nonprofit, educational organization dedicated to maintaining the standards and method of ballet training established by Cav. Enrico Cecchetti. The organization uses a sequence of grades, carefully measured as to degree of difficulty and physical development, and provides a system of accredited examinations to test the students' proficiency within those grades.

Cecchetti ballet students are examined across the United States, Canada, Haiti, and Jamaica. The examiners travel to each area for two or three days of scheduled examinations. In order to service all the student and teacher exam candidates, there are times when the examinations must be scheduled on a weekday.

We request your consideration in allowing _____ to be excused from school in order to be examined. Ballet students are dedicated individuals who study one or two years on each examination in order to develop the technical strength and artistry necessary to meet the required standard of achievement.

Sincerely,

Julie Merkle, DFCCA
Cecchetti Council of America
Assistant National Registrar