



marin *dance* theatre

PRE – VISIT STORY

Taking a dance class at
Marin Dance Theatre



a dance studio



I am taking a dance class at Marin Dance Theatre in a dance studio.



A studio is a room for dancing with mirrors and a special floor.

a dance studio



A ballet studio has a *barre*.
Dancers hold onto the *barre* for support and
balance. I will only use the *barre* when my teacher
tells me to use it.



The studios have chairs for resting.

waiting



When I arrive at MDT, I may have to wait in the lobby before my teachers get me for class.
I may have to wait to use the bathroom.
I may have to wait my turn during class.

teacher

When my class is ready to begin, my teacher will
come to the lobby to meet me.

My teacher at Marin Dance Theatre is Ms. Julia.



in my dance class



I will use my eyes to watch my teachers.
I will use my eyes to watch where others are dancing.



I will use my ears to listen to the music.
I will use my ears to follow directions I hear.
I will move my body to the beat of the music.

props



I may use different props during the dance class, like dot spots or scarves.

clothing



I will wear comfortable clothing when I dance so I can freely move around.

I will take off my shoes and leave them in the cubbies

clothing

I can take a break if I need to.
I will let the teacher know if I need to take a break.



I can take a break by sitting on the bench.



I can take a break by going out to the lobby.
I can rejoin the class when I am ready.

restroom

I will let my teacher know if I need to go to the restroom.
I can go to the restroom any time I need to.



The sound of the flushing toilet can be loud.

At the end of every class,

*I will say “thank you” to my teachers, the
musicians, and all of the other dancers*