<u>The Cecchetti Council</u>





Housing Information

Students are housed in Kollen Hall. The mailing address is PO Box 9000, Holland MI, 49422-9000. The main campus number is 616-395-7000. The CCA Office is located within Kollen Hall: Office hours are 8:00am – 12:00noon; 1:00pm – 5:00pm; and 6:00pm – 10:00pm. The Residence Halls provide double occupancy with twin beds, clothes chests, and desks in each room. Hope College has discontinued their linen service. All students must bring a pillow, blanket, sheets (twin XL), and towels. Laundry facilities are available. Food, soft drinks, and appliances such as refrigerators and microwaves are not allowed. Check-in is on Sunday between 12:00pm and 3:00 pm at Kollen Hall. Dinner is served in the Campus Dining Hall at 5:00. The student schedule book and adjudication times will be given at registration. Orientation meetings will be held before dinner on Sunday. For Housing Information contact: Julie Merkle at wjmerkle@comcast.net

Student Etiquette and Behavior

Belonging, Acceptance and Inclusivity Policy

The Cecchetti Council of America is committed to providing and fostering a positive, safe and respectful learning environment for students. We embrace all ways people are different and are inclusive to their race, ethnicity, culture, language, religion, gender, gender expression, sexual orientation, capabilities, learning styles, or abilities.

Our policies are set by Hope College and the CCA for the safety and comfort of all. Students who do not abide by the policies will be sent home without refund.

Behavioral Policy:

- a) Interactions with faculty (teaching and counseling): Inappropriate or disrespectful behavior or language will not be tolerated.
- b) Interactions with students: No student will physically or verbally harass, degrade, or gossip about another person, in-person or by social media. Bullying of any kind will not be tolerated.

Curfew Policy:

- a) Students must be on their own floor at 9:30 pm, in their own room at 10:00 pm, and must have lights out at 10:30 pm. (See cell phone policy.)
- b) Students 18 years and over must be willing to comply with CCA Housing Rules.
- c) Full-time counselors will enforce curfew policy.

Proper Studio Etiquette Policy:

- a) Students may not enter class late or leave class without permission.
- b) Talking or disruptive behavior during class is not permitted.
- c) Students are expected to attend every class. Daily attendance is taken for every class and rehearsal.
- d) Food, drink, and gum are not allowed in the studios.
- e) Cell phones must be turned off during class time.

Cell Phone and Electronics Policy

Cecchetti Council of America's Summer School Committee and Counselors make every effort possible to ensure that your child is involved in an environment that is safe, positive and filled with nurturing encouragement. We believe the use of cell phones discourage interaction between students, independence, and prohibits engaging in planned activities. In keeping all involved in mind, we believe we have developed cell phone guidelines that are fair for all involved.

All cell phone guidelines will be enforced with the consequence of losing cell phone privileges for 24 hours.

Cell phone policy:

- a) Cell phones must be turned off during meals and class.
- b) Students may use their phone during any time down time outside, in the Kollen Hall Lounge or in their room between the hours of 8pm-10pm.
- c) Cell phones must be placed in "do not disturb" or "silent mode" at 10:01pm.
- d) Cell phones are not permitted in the bathrooms at **any time**.
- e) When taking pictures or videos, be mindful of your roommate and your surroundings. Videotaping or photography is never permitted in bathrooms or changing areas.
- f) Electronics are permitted for the use of reading, listening to music, and as alarm clocks.

***Cecchetti Council of America is not responsible for the loss of or damage to any student personal property. ***

Visitation Policy

Visitor's Day is held on Sunday. Even though visitation is discouraged, students are permitted visitors on Sunday between the hours of 8:00am and 1:00pm. Students **must** attend all scheduled classes and rehearsals. If you are planning to attend Visitor's Day, be sure to fill out a release form listing the names of everyone allowed to sign out your child. This includes parent's names, as identification will be checked. All release forms are to be handed in no later than registration day. Please note: Visitors are **not** permitted on the dorm floors at any time, except for moving in and out.

Class Placement

Students will be placed in an appropriate level based on their application information, submitted pictures and an adjudicated class. Depending on enrollment, one level may require dividing to provide the class with more individualized attention. As an example, the level may then be labeled as B1 and B2. There is no level difference between the two and the students will receive equivalent training.

To ensure proper level grouping, the Summer School Committee holds a placement class for all students on Sunday evening of registration day. Final level placement decisions are based upon the student's demonstrated abilities and are the *professional* opinion of the Summer School Faculty. Level placements will be posted in the dorm no later than Monday morning before classes begin. All level placements are final. Cecchetti Council of America appreciates the encouragement of parents in assisting their child to work toward attaining their individual potential without comparing themselves to their peers. There will be no refunds offered for students leaving the program because of level placement dissatisfaction.

Partnering

Students may have the opportunity to learn partnering during class and choreography. Partnering is described as two or more dancers making physical contact as they learn to be responsible for each other, while executing counterbalance, lifts, pirouettes, jumps, etc. A Faculty Member and Counselor are always present when partnering is taught or rehearsed. If you and your child are not comfortable with partnering, please place a check by opt-out on the CCA Policies Agreement, Waiver and Refund Policy form. Opting-out does not change a student's schedule.

Student Laundry

Students are encouraged to do their <u>own</u> laundry. This responsibility is a part of being away from home and learning to be self-sufficient. There are washers and dryers in the basement of the dorm. Dancers can download the app PayRange to their smartphone to access the machines. Directions for use will be emailed two weeks before arrival. Your child's Counselor will be available to assist with laundry needs. If necessary, parents may pick up their child's laundry on Visitor's Day at 8:00am and return the laundry no later than 1:00pm.

Additional Information

Emergency: If there is an emergency at home and your child needs to be notified, you can contact the Head Counselor. A phone number will be provided at check-in.

<u>Counseling Staff</u>: Your child's well-being is our priority. If your child needs help solving an issue or just a reassuring hug, the Counseling Staff and Head Counselor are always available. The Dorm Liaison is also available to help with any issues or concerns.

<u>Mail and Packages</u>: Please send all mail and packages through USPS, UPS or Amazon Prime to: *Student Name*, Cecchetti Council of America, C/O Hope College, Kollen Hall-CCA, P.O. Box 9000, Holland, MI 49423-9000. *Please note*: Due to the extremely busy of schedule of the Counseling Staff, Door Dash orders will not be accepted.

<u>Scholarships</u>: All students are eligible to participate in the scholarship audition. Students of active CCA members may complete an application and submit the \$25 participation fee at registration. The tuition award must be used for the following year's Summer Program.

Performance: There will be one performance at the Knickerbocker Theatre located on 8th Street in downtown Holland on the final Saturday. The CCA provides performance skirts for all levels. All female students should bring a black camisole leotard. Please refer to the Check List. Class photographs and performance downloadable video will be available for purchase in the theatre lobby during the performance.

Departing Flights: Departure Flights should be scheduled for 3:30 pm or later as the last performance ends at 12:30 pm. Supervised housing is not available on Saturday evening. For additional information, contact: Jennifer Krueger at ccajenniferkrueger@outlook.com