

# COVID-19 Reopening Plans and Guidelines

We are excited to carefully and safely invite students back into The Studio for summer classes! As you might imagine a few procedural changes are required to keep everyone safe. We will continue to monitor federal, state and city guidelines and make adjustments as needed/required to ensure the safest experience possible.

## Prior to Class

Students must be registered before arriving for their first class. Classes sizes are smaller right now and some have filled. To register please call or email The Studio at least 24 hours prior to the class you are interested in.

Everyone is required to wear a face mask while in the building. Students should bring multiple masks with them in case they sneeze, or the mask gets sweaty, etc. We recommend washable cloth masks. We've also found elastic that goes around the head rather than over the ears to be a bit more comfortable. Most importantly the mask needs to be well fitted, without gaps, especially around the nose and the sides of the cheeks.

We highly recommend students take time and experiment with wearing a mask. It is a different experience and some masks are more comfortable than others. Students in our Advanced/Intermediate Workshop started off the summer with 3 weeks of 5 and 6 hours days and did very well! Some even said they forgot they were wearing a mask 😊.

Print out and complete the "Student COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire" in the day or two before class.

Plan what to bring. A small bag with a full water bottle, extra face masks, ballet slippers/pointe shoes and anything else essential to a student's participation in class.

## Arriving at The Studio

- Students should arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to their class. Pick up should be not more than 10 minutes past the end of their class.
- Only students will be permitted in the building at this time. Unfortunately, there will be no exceptions.
- Students should have their dancewear on underneath their regular clothes and carry their ballet slippers.
- Students should wait in their cars until their entrance door is opened. Face masks should be in place before getting out of their car.
- Ballet 2, Boys Class and 4-6 students will enter through the studio doors off of the patio into Studio A. Ballet 1, 1A, 3 and Teen & Adult students will enter through the main doors.

## Entering the Building

- Students will hand their completed "Questionnaire" to Mr. Darling or Ms. Bennett and have their temperature taken with a touchless thermometer. Students with a temperature above 100.4 (fever as defined by the CDC) will be sent home.
- Once inside students will leave their street shoes on a shelf next to the entrance, sanitize their hands and head to their designated place in the studio or wait in the hallway on 8' distanced spots on the floor.
- Each student will have a specific and physically distant spot in the studio to leave their things, put their shoes on and wait for class to begin.
- During class there will be a water break where students may go to their places on the edges of the room and briefly remove their mask to get a drink.
- Bathroom breaks are limited to one student at a time and we request students use the restroom before they leave their house if possible. Restrooms will be sanitized in between each use.

## Pickup

- Once class is done students will take off their ballet shoes, gather their things and line up to leave. One at a time they will put their street shoes on, sanitize their hands and head out.
- Students should be picked up within 10 minutes of the end of class. Students will not be permitted to wait outside for their ride during this time.

## What We Are Doing

- The studios, hallway and restrooms will be thoroughly cleaned before the start of each day. Barres and areas where students store their things will be sanitized in between each class.
- Hand sanitizing areas are located at each entrance and in both studios.
- Shared areas like the dressing rooms, lobby, drinking fountain and stretching area are closed right now.
- CDC physical distancing guidelines will be followed at all times.
- Exercise balls, yoga blocks, mats and other shared equipment will not be in use right now.
- Restrooms visits will be limited to one student at a time. Students taking class in Studio A (the larger room) will use the large restroom(s) at the end of the hall, students in Studio B will use the small restroom just inside the studio.
- Corrections during class will be given verbally and there will not be any partner work, hugs, high fives, etc... for now 😊 (Air hugs and big thumbs up are always welcome :).