

★ Dance Expressions Safe Dancing Protocols ★

The SAFETY, of our Staff and our Dancers, has ALWAYS been Dance Expression's TOP priority, even before COVID. Our studio has been deep cleaned & will be in a constant state of sanitation, before, during and following all dance classes/occupancy. We are excited to welcome our dancers and families back, beginning Mon., August 17th, with the following safety measures in place. The camaraderie, and sense of community which has filled the halls of Dance Expressions over our past 15 years, will have to be put on hold for this dance year. We look forward to happier days ahead! We appreciate your support, as we work together to provide needed healthy social interaction, dance training & FUN learning experiences for your children!

OUR NEW NORMAL FOR 2020-2021:

BRING YOUR OWN WATER with name on it! There will be **NO** Drinking Fountain, Vending Snacks or Water, Play area/toys, No Cloth lobby chairs, only black folding chairs, **NO** Hair ties in dressing room (please arrive with your dancer's hair neatly pulled back) and we will **NOT** be loaning out **SHARE SHOES**.

- * **EVERYONE:** Parents & children, entering Dance Expressions, must be wearing a facial covering. Dancers, with the parent's consent, may remove them while they are exercising/taking dance classes.
- * **EVERYONE:** Will have their digital temperature taken at the front door and will be given hand sanitizer. If you or your child feel Sick, in any way, please do not attend dance classes. You all have been very courteous about this over the years! **THANK YOU!**
- * **Ages 3 yrs. – 4 yrs.:** Only (1) Parent, no younger siblings please, can accompany their dancer into the dance studio. Once your child is settled into their dance class, please remain seated in the socially distanced folding chairs in our Lobby. Please do not walk around or stand at the watch windows, while waiting.
- * **Dancers age 5 – 7 yrs.:** Only (1) Parent, no younger siblings please, can accompany their dancer into the dance studio. Once your child is settled into their dance class, you may choose to be seated in the socially distanced folding chairs in our lobby, or wait in your car. While in our Lobby, please do not walk around or stand at the watch windows, while waiting.
- * **Dancers age 8 and Up:** Drop off and Pick up at the Front door of the studio. If it is necessary to come into the Lobby, to make sure that your dancer is in the correct classroom, etc., or to stop at the front desk, then please return to your vehicle to wait until dance classes are over.
- * **Dress Code for 2020-2021:** Dress Code will be **RELAXED:** ALL Dancers should come dressed in either ballet style dress or **JAZZ** style dance clothes, **NO** school clothes. Please wear tights and have hair neatly pulled back for all dance classes when you arrive. **DANCERS** will **NOT** change clothes between classes, just their dance shoes. **PLEASE USE DANCE SHOE BAGS, PROVIDED AT REGISTRATION.**
- * **DRESSING ROOM:** Will only be available for coats, hats & boots, during colder months. Staff will limit a few dancers at a time, to enter and deposit or retrieve their items. Until the weather changes, each dancer will carry their dance shoe tote only, from class to class, where they will be placed socially distanced apart along the walls of the dance room, during dance classes.
- * **DANCE BREAKS:** ALL dancers will be socially distanced while waiting for their next class, at the homework desk or seated in the hallways. Personal **SNACKS** are permitted. Microwave will **NOT BE IN USE.**
- * **TUITION PAYMENTS:** We are **NOT** going to be accepting **CASH** payments for 2020-2021. We are holding off right now, from contracting with our bank to **AUTO DEBIT** your accounts, which will add fees for our families. **WE RECOMMEND** that families use the **FREE BILL PAY SERVICE**, which is available from your checking accounts, at most financial institutions. Checks or Money Orders can also be dropped off, as usual, in the front lobby Tuition Box.
- * **DISMISSAL:** **ALL DANCERS WILL BE WASHING HANDS, BEFORE BEING DISMISSED TO PARENTS.** We will bring dancers up towards the front doors & release them to you when your car pulls up. Please be **PATIENT**, waiting in line. **WE DISCOURAGE** dancers from walking out into the parking lot, where cars are parked. If you are parked, please come up to the front door, to walk your dancer to your vehicle.