

COVID-19 PROTOCOL



To keep everyone as safe as possible, please stay posted to the following page for regular updates, which may change in accordance with government mandates and/or CDC recommendations.

Routine Efforts to Maintain a Sanitary Environment

- Janitorial team devoted to regular and thorough disinfecting/sanitizing of all surfaces in studio
- Staff will disinfect the floors, barres, and any other space that has been touched before/after EVERY class.
- Temperatures will be taken of everyone who enters; anyone with higher than 100.3F will not be admitted. If a student has a temp higher than 100.3F, they will be placed in an isolated area in case the summer heat is the root cause. If after 5 minutes the temperature remains high, they will not be allowed in the building.
- Floors are marked for more than 6 feet apart in all classrooms, at all barres, and around perimeter for appropriate social distancing between students.
- Students and Staff will sanitize their hands before/after EVERY class
- Water fountains, vending machines, cubbies, lockers, coffee bar, children's play area, homework room closed
- Students may not linger in the bathroom/dressing room.
- Reusable water bottles left behind will be disposed of (disposable water bottles can be purchased at front desk)
- Exterior door entrances for pick up and up/drop off, and gallery restrictions (see below)
- All classes will be offered for students to take virtually if not ready to return in person.
- Students/Parents cannot be admitted who are sick, coughing, have a fever, or who have been exposed to someone diagnosed with COVID-19. It is the parent's responsibility to inform the studio if this occurs.
- All parents, students, and staff must strictly follow the guidelines recommended by the CDC to protect themselves and others from COVID-19, including but not limited to washing hands or sanitizing hands often, staying home if sick, covering sneezes/coughs, and maintaining social distance of 6 feet or more. The guidelines can be found HERE: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

Gallery Area Restrictions, and Virtual Viewing:

- For students ages 5 and up, parents and family members will not be allowed to wait in the gallery – pick up and drop off at exterior doors only. See “Drop off and Pick Up” below. Everyone can view the class virtually.
- For students ages 4 and under ONLY, one parent or family representative must wear a mask and may wait in the gallery *only if absolutely necessary according to the immediate needs of your 4 and under child. Drop off at the exterior door, and walk around to the main entrance where your temperature will be taken before entering. You must still exit and pick up your child at the exterior door – see “Drop Off and Pick Up” below.*
- All classes will be visible virtually and parents are welcome to watch the whole class on their mobile devices or computers. State of the art equipment, screens, and wireless mics will be utilized by the staff to deliver the best class both in person and virtually. This is for students who wish to take class from home, and for parents to view the class while it is occurring.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedure, and Masks:

- Students ages 9 and under are not required to wear a mask, though this is at parent discretion. Students ages 10 and up must enter and exit wearing a mask, and must wear one if moving throughout the building (walking/waiting in hallways, using the restroom, etc). However, once securely and properly social distanced on a designated dot on the classroom floor (six feet apart or more from other dancers), the age 10 and up student may pull the mask off while engaging in dance exercise, but must have it on hand. Exceptions will be made for students with physical, emotional, and/or medical health issues (please let the office know).
- Parents must drop off and pick up at the designated side door at the exterior of the building. On arrival, students will have their temperature taken and must sanitize hands.
- Exception: Students who are in multiple back-to-back classes can exit through the door adjacent to the gallery, following the same guidelines for hand sanitizing and social distancing.