



Dear Dancers!

Welcome to a new and different kind of class schedule for 2020-2021! For obvious reasons, things will be a little altered this year, but we are doing our best to maintain a complete, pedagogically sound and most of all a **safe** schedule for all our students.

As such, our Pre-Ballet Division will start fully online. Adult classes will be limited to 10 in-studio dancers at a time, with the rest participating online. We will be splitting each Level into two groups – an “A group” and a “B group.” Your group will determine the day(s) that you will be taking class in-studio. When not taking class in-studio, dancers will participate from home. Class uniforms should be worn for **all** classes – in-studio and online.

In accordance with social distancing guidelines, we will have no more than 10 dancers, 1 teacher, and 1 assistant in the big studio at a time, and no more than 4 dancers and 1 teacher in the small studio. We ask that students arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to the start of class and depart promptly when the class is over. Only students participating in the current class(es) are permitted in the studio. Parents or caregivers will need to drop off their dancers and return at the end of class for pick-up.

In keeping with the latest guidelines from the governor's office and the CDC, **everyone** (teachers, accompanists, staff, and students) is required to wear a mask and/or a face shield at all times while inside the studio, including while dancing. Masks must fully cover the mouth, nose, and chin and be fitted snugly to the face. Face shields must cover the face from the forehead to below the chin. Additionally, everyone must wear their masks in all common areas such as the bathrooms (students will be allowed to use the facilities one at a time) and when passing through the lobby and the green room when entering and leaving the studio (while practicing social distancing).

In order to attend classes in the studio, students must sign a [waiver](#) before their first class. If you already signed the waiver during the Summer Program, you do not need to sign again. Please take a moment to read our [Health and Safety Plan](#) and the [CDC's COVID-19 Symptom checklist](#). If a dancer is not feeling well, or is experiencing any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19, we ask that they **do not** attend in-studio classes that day. Please carefully review the following protocol and our Health and Safety Plan. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

***Dancers should come fully prepared for their class!***

- Masks/face shields are **required** at all times
- Come dressed for class
- Come with your hair done
- Bring a full water bottle (*the water fountain will **not** be available*)

As dancers enter, they will be assigned a specific spot at the barre where they will keep all their belongings. Please keep your belongings to a minimum and bring only what you will need to participate in the class.

There are two hand sanitizer dispensers conveniently located in the studio. At the end of each day, the barres and all high-touch surfaces will be wiped down with an FDA approved disinfectant.

It is going to be different, for sure, but it worked well during our Summer Program and we are confident that with everyone's cooperation and compliance, we can make it work!

Looking forward to seeing you in the studio!