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## **COVID-19 Safety Protocol, updated February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Subject to change with updated Lucas County conditions**

### **Protocols that remain the same:**

#### **Dancers:**

- Conduct self-assessment prior to arriving for class and do NOT enter the building if you are exhibiting symptoms or have been exposed to COVID-19, or any other illness. Temperatures will no longer be taken but please check-in when entering the building.
- Elementary-Adult students, please check-in 10 minutes before class-time using the front entrance. 7:15 classes, please wait until the 6:00 class has exited the building.
- Preparatory-Primary 2 students, please check-in 5 minutes before class-time using the front entrance. Your teacher will greet you at the door. Pick-up is at the front door.
- Creative Movement students, please check-in 5 minutes before class time using the front entrance. Parents, please drive around to the back entrance with the awning and wait in your car for your dancer. We need to find you if your child needs assistance for the restroom and your child will exit the building through the back entrance.
- Arrive & leave dressed in your dance attire. No changing in bathrooms.
- Bring your own water bottle. The drinking fountain is closed.
- Practice good social distancing. both inside and outside the facility
- Use hand sanitizer and practice excellent hand washing when using the restroom.
- Listen to your teacher and staff. We are here to train and protect you!
- You must be registered in advance for all classes. Walk-ins will not be accommodated.

#### **Building:**

- All studios have air purifiers and fresh air options are available for Studios A & C.
- Ballet barres have been marked to ensure social distancing.
- Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the building.
- Plexiglass is installed on the front counter.
- Changing rooms are closed.
- Front lobby, stretch area, and wardrobe have been cleared for using as a place to leave dance bag and clothes.
- Lost and found has been eliminated.
- Drinking fountain is closed.
- Bathrooms and studios will be wiped down after each class.
- Front door and lobby surfaces will be wiped down frequently.
- Signs are posted as reminders of social distancing and good hand hygiene practices.

## Protocols that have changed:

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have released new masking guidelines (see below)
- Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan are currently at **Medium** Level
- In alignment with the new CDC guidelines, masking at BTT will now be based on personal preference and personal risk for both students and teachers
- Voluntary masking will begin tonight (Monday February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022) and will continue while Lucas County is at a **Medium** or **Low** Level
- If Lucas County once again reaches a **High** Level, mandatory masking will be temporarily reinstated until Level drops back to **Medium**
- We understand that some families may still wish to have their child mask during the entirety of their time at the studio or in certain settings (i.e. while in changing areas or while not dancing). Please forward your mask preferences to Angie, so we can partner with you to ensure your child is following the precautions you are most comfortable with.

### New CDC COVID-19 Community Level Guidelines:

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear a mask based on your personal preference, informed by your personal level of risk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear a mask based on your personal preference, informed by your personal level of risk, except:</li> <li>• If you are immunocompromised or at <a href="#">high risk for severe illness</a>, talk to your healthcare provider about additional precautions, such as wearing masks or respirators indoors in public</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear a well-fitting mask indoors in public, regardless of vaccination status or individual risk (including in K-12 schools and other community settings)</li> <li>• If you are immunocompromised or at <a href="#">high risk for severe illness</a>, wear a mask or respirator that provides you with greater protection</li> </ul>
<p>People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask.</p>		

#### Sources:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>

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