

2021- 2022 CORONAVIRUS PROTOCOLS FOR FAMILIES AND STUDENTS

During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) or any subsequent COVID-19 surge(s), the Coronavirus Protocols preempt any conflicting statement(s) in the Handbook.

PROTOCOLS:

--Studios will be disinfected after each class.

-Properly fitting MASKS are required at all times. Two layer masks are required. Three layers may be better. Face shields or googles may be required in class/studio.

--Social distancing will be strictly enforced.

--Individual student dance spaces will marked in each studio and will exceed six (6) feet.

-Access to the dance studio is limited. Only students, faculty and staff will be allowed in the studio.

-Prior to entry in the studio, each student's temperature will be taken with a touchless thermometer. If a student has a temperature over 100.4, the student will not be able to enter the studio.

-Prior to entry in the studio, the adult who brings the student to the studio will be required to answer the following questions:

-Is the student feeling sick?

-Is anyone in the student's household sick?

-Has the student been in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19?

-Has the student been in contact with anyone who has a COVID-19 test pending?

*NEW: when arriving at MSDC, pull up to the front door. The temp and questions will be administered and asked there, before entry in the building.

- Student should arrive at least 10 minutes early. Students should enter the studio with limited items. Dance clothes should be worn under street clothes (this is a year-round requirement notwithstanding COVID-19). Outside shoes may not be worn anywhere in the studio, including on carpeted spaces. Outside shoes must be removed at the door. Dancers will be advised where to place their personal items. No dance bags in the studio please.

-In-class sizes will be limited. Larger classes, if applicable, will require alternating days in-studio and virtual (online). Some classes will be strictly limited in size, so early registration is highly recommended.

-The waiting area and dressing rooms are closed. Kitchen use is extremely limited.

-Hand hygiene is essential.

-Since Clorox Wipes and Hand Sanitizer are in short supply and are essential to help keep the studios spaces safe, DONATIONS are welcome and encouraged.

Government-mandated Shelter In Place (or similar orders): In the event of a government mandated COVID-19 shelter-in-place order, escalation of the COVID-19 positivity rate above recommended thresholds or other unsafe conditions, all in-person classes will transition to virtual classes.

MSDC plans for classes to be in-person. In-person classes, unless exigent circumstances, dictate otherwise.