

COVID POLICIES



In- Person/Synchronous Live Stream

A dance class for every interest and learning preference!

Dance in person with us confidently. Not ready to dance in-studio yet?

We follow the Safer Studio Standards and all of our classes are backed up on live stream in case you prefer or have to stay home.

When you register for the 2020-21 dance season you are buying your spot in the room for the whole year. You have the option to attend in person or via live stream from your home. You can make seamless week to week adjustments based on your personal circumstances as well as the local community conditions.

Want to come to in person class every week? Great!

Want to dance via live stream every week? Great!

Want to come to in person dance the first week to meet the teacher and classmates then switch to live stream? Great!

Want to start with live stream and switch to in person if conditions improve? Great!

Want to take in person but need to livestream temporarily because you are ill, have had a possible exposure, awaiting test results, or self quarantining due to travel? Great!

Want in person classes, but there has been a local uptick in cases so you want to live stream for a few weeks? Great!

We want complete flexibility to meet every family's needs.

We are here to support your dancer, no matter how they train.

Colors- Changes in Service

We will use a colored system to communicate to parents that status of classes.



Green- Face to Face Classes as Usual or Live Stream Option

Yellow- A cautionary change to service delivery or additional safety guidelines in place. This could include any additional state mandated changes, or a hybrid approach, where only half of the class comes to the studio and half live stream, then we flip flop the following week.

Red- Stay at home orders and everyone transfers to distance learning. We would do a cap of 4 continuous weeks of Zoom then pause classes and tuition until we are Yellow or Green again.

Facility and Curricular Adjustments

- Classrooms have been modified to reflect a 6-foot social distancing pattern and floors will have markers to help students maintain boundaries as much as possible.
- Choreography will be modified to have formations be more spread out where possible and will prevent touching.
- Dancers will each get a chair in the classroom to use as station for their personal dance supplies, water, and to sit socially distanced during water breaks, and when teachers are working with other students.
- All handheld props will be labeled per child to ensure they aren't touched by another student.
- Classrooms will refrain from hand-holding, high fives, "ballerina hugs", fist bumps, stickers, etc.
- Water Fountains will be closed. Students must bring a labeled water bottle to class.
- We will not sell snacks in our store this year, only drinks.

Customer Service/Communications

Need assistance? No problem! We are here to help you! You can reach us by phone @724-941-9839, text us, and we can serve you curbside or set up a meeting time.

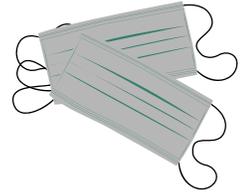
All communications will be distributed, (newsletters, updates, fundraisers etc.) will be delivered PAPERLESS to your email address on file and in our Team App. You are responsible for reading and keeping up to date with these communications.

Masks

STUDENTS- will wear masks for entering and exiting the facility, changing classes, breaks in lobby, shopping in our store, and using restrooms. During periods with a high risk teacher, if for any reason social distancing cannot be maintained during movement, or periods of low strenuous movements in the classroom, (ie. gentle stretching, taking turns, barre) students may be asked to wear their mask. They may be removed and are optional during strenuous dancing. Students are always able to request a mask break if needed.

Staff will wear masks at all times while interacting with students.

We look forward to the day when we can phase out masking requirements!!!



Cleaning Procedures

We have increased our cleaning frequencies and sanitation procedures for high touch surfaces.

Employees and students will wash hands and/or sanitize before entering the building at our provided sanitation station.

Lobby/Drop Off/Pick Up

All lobby and waiting areas will be closed with a few exceptions:

- Students that have gaps in their dance schedule are permitted to wait in our lobby. Masks will be worn and they must remain seated, in our socially distanced chairs.
- Students ages 3 through Kindergarten are permitted to have 1 parent accompany them into the lobby for drop off and pick up. Parents must wait in the parking lot in their cars, or outside during class time to maintain social distancing, and reduce our building capacity, to meet safe limits.
- Students in 1st-12th grade- must wait in their car until class time. No dropping off early and congregating in the lobby. An exception would be students coming directly from school. They may enter early and access the restrooms/changing rooms if needed. One child per restroom/changing room only.
- Students in 1st-3rd grade will be accompanied by a staff member to the parking lot for dismissal.
- Students 4th grade and up will be dismissed to the parking lot on their own. Please instruct your child if you want them to enter the parking lot to find you, or if you want them to wait on the sidewalk and not enter the parking lot, based on your comfort level.
- It will be important that you are prompt in picking up your child. Classes will dismiss 5 minutes early to allow for increased social distancing between groups coming and going and changing classrooms.
- Students will always enter the building through the front main entrance and exit the building through the side/staff exit.

Symptoms/Wellness Checks/Contact Tracing

KDC will require students, faculty, and staff to complete a self-assessment and take their own temperature before reporting to class each day. It is critical that KDC and community work in collaboration to help mitigate risks of COVID-19 spread. Faculty, staff, and students who are ill must stay home, and must be sent home if they become ill at dance particularly if they exhibit COVID-19 symptoms.

What happens when a student or staff member tests positive?

KDC will notify and follow the guidance from the health experts at the County Health Department which will require that individual to self-isolate at home for at least 14 days. Any student or staff member who tests positive will not be able to return until after the 14-day isolation, and until the individual is symptom-free. We will notify all students that were in the classroom or building at the same time as the positive case.

What happens when a student or staff member is exposed to a confirmed positive case of COVID-19?

If a student or staff member is exposed to someone with a confirmed positive case of COVID-19, either in or out of the dance environment, KDC will follow guidance from the County Health Department, which requires that student or individual to quarantine for 14 days. A student or staff member may not return until after the 14-day quarantine. This applies even if the student does not exhibit symptoms.

Will KDC be closed if a student or staff member tests positive?

KDC will follow guidance and protocols from the County Health Department in keeping all students and staff as safe as possible during these circumstances, which may include closing individual classrooms, or the school for a period of time depending on each situation.

Are there other instances related to COVID-19 that would prompt a closure?

KDC may decide to close for emergency reasons, such as but not limited to:

- Community spread of the illness in classrooms or in the community
- The number of teachers absent leading to the inability to cover classes effectively