

The Dance Vault COVID-19 Protocols

7/6/2020 Revision

Studio Operations:

- Hospital Grade air filters have been installed that are designed to trap airborne viruses. Independent A/C system for each room. The fans are continuously running during class to maximize ventilation and trap virus particles.
- A no touch thermal thermometer to take temperatures before entering.
- Dance floor has been marked into a "grid" to ensure dancers remain properly spaced. There will be no contact made between students nor student to teacher and everyone will remain at minimum 6 feet away from one another.
- Hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed at the entry of each studio, as well as individual pumps in the room
- The Lobby will remain CLOSED. Parents must remain in their vehicle and classes may be viewed online via Zoom link currently in place.
- Bathrooms will only be allowed to be used in case of emergency.
- Water fountain will remain CLOSED. Please bring enough water to last your dancer's entire duration of classes.
- Designated areas have been marked for street shoes only. Only dance shoes will be allowed to be worn inside the dance room.
- Floors will be cleaned every time there is a dancer change per room.
- Deep cleanings will be performed daily that include mopping and wiping down common surfaces.
- In accordance with Governor Abbott's mask ordinance we will now be requiring a mask to enter our facility and in common areas for dancers ages 10 and above. With that being said when dancing we do not want to put anyone's health in danger by restricting their breathing/injuring themselves so tell your dancers to wear their mask as much as possible but we understand if while exercising/dancing they do not have it on from time to time. Your dancer is exempt from this order if they have a condition or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. Please note that the TDV faculty will not be able to physically help your dancer with their mask at any time.
- Silks will be sprayed with a virus killing cloth disinfectant before, between and after each class. This takes about 15 minutes to dry and we will try to time it to minimize any class disruptions (aerial silks classes only)

- Acro classes will limit rotations on mats (if any at all) and designated areas have been marked for dancers to remain in. Mats will be sprayed with virus killing disinfectant before and after class. Mats will also be disinfected between each use in between the limited station rotations, if necessary.

Entry Protocols:

- Remain in your vehicle until a TDV Faculty member has come outside and signals you that you may line up to come into the studio.
- Dancers report to a designated marker outside the studio (parents remain in your vehicle).
- Dancer's temperature will be taken before entering the building. If the temperature is above 100.0 the dancer will not be permitted inside the studio.
- Dancers place belongings in designated area (only water and dance shoes will allowed in the dance room).
- Students step out of street shoes to step into "barefoot only" designated area (please be assured TDV Faculty will verbally assist your dancer through this step as it is a little tricky and takes some getting used to)
- Dancers will wash their hands for 20 seconds then report to assigned waiting area before entering the dance room.
- Once invited into the dance room, dancers will also receive a pump of hand sanitizer then be assigned their designated dancing space.
- Once all dancers have entered we will begin class!

During Class Protocols

- Dancer will not be permitted to leave the dance room during class (only in case of emergency).
- Spacing among dancers and teachers will be controlled by the marked "grid" on the floor.
- There will be no formation changes performed at this time.
- There will be no partnering or group lifts performed at this time.

- Class will end ~10 minutes early to allow time to clean the dance squares used during class time. Teachers will use this time for verbal review of what was worked on throughout class time, so we are still working while we are cleaning. Have dancers wipe down their “dance area” with disinfectant.
- For Aerial Silks classes: dancers will hand sanitizer their hands and feet before and after using the aerial silks
- Dancers will be dismissed one at a time to help keep distance among the dancers.
- Upon exiting the studio dancers will receive a pump of hand sanitizer.
- Dancers will step into their street shoes and exit the building immediately.
- A TDV Faculty member will hold the door open or prop the door open for quick exit

IMPORTANT THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW/BE PREPARED FOR:

- You may only enter the parking lot from the TDV street entrance. Maximum gymnastics will also be re-opening on Monday, May 18th and traffic control will flow from entering on the TDV side entrance and exiting out of the Maximum side entrance. Please prepare for extra traffic in these coming week as everyone is getting used to new protocols.
- PARENTS: PLEASE BE EARLY OR ON TIME FOR BOTH DROP OFF AND PICK UP! This is extremely critical in order for all operations to run on time and smoothly. Thank you in advanced.
- Dancers need to wear flip-flops or slides when coming/going to the studio. This helps make the street shoe protocol go much faster and smoothly.
- TDV requests that all dance shoes remain at the studio. We have purchased gallon sized Ziploc bags to label your dancer's name on and keep stored separate from other dancers. We are trying to limit items going in/out of the studio at this time.
- Dancers in hip-hop classes: please pick a pair of tennis shoes that can remain at the studio for dancing in at all times. Dancers will need to carry this shoes in by hand and TDV will sanitize the shoes the first time they are brought in.
- CLASS OBSERVATION RULES: You must enter your dancers name in order to be admitted to class. Please turn off your video and remain on mute for the entire duration of the class. Parents will only be admitted into the Zoom room with the name of the student that is on the roster to ensure the safety of your dancer.

We know this is a lot of information listed out, but please be assured our faculty has been practicing these protocols and we will help make this as smooth as possible. We ask for you to go over all of these things with your dancers so they are aware of they will need to do as the return to their dance classes. With so many new measures being put into place patience is key. We are doing our absolute best to make sure everyone is safe and comfortable and that classes are being run as efficient as possible!

Thank you so much for your continued support and we cannot wait to see you again!