

**CCDA: Holiday Studio Precautions**

Thank you to our staff, families, and dancers for everything you have been doing to keep one another safe. In July, we started in-person instruction and since then have remained clear of any spread of COVID-19 at Coalesce.

I know that the precautions we have taken as a studio have allowed us all to stay healthy and to continue to operate fully, and so we will continue doing our best to keep dancing safely through the holiday season. With the holidays quickly approaching, the following changes will be in effect from November 16, 2020 until December 4, 2020. After this period, we will reevaluate our decisions and will be in touch.

*(new updates are marked with \*\*)*

**\*\*Mask Requirements: ALL dancers and instructors**

1. All dancers and instructors will be required to wear one mask and encouraged to keep one extra in their dance bag. We understand the difficulty of dancing for an extended period of time in a mask, so dancers and teachers will take at least two mask breaks during their class time. If at any point a teacher or student is feeling that they need air aside from the given breaks, they will be permitted to enter into the lobby for a moment.
2. Students under the age of four are encouraged to keep masks on.

**\*\*Water Breaks & Mask Breaks**

1. Water: Dancers will be required to keep their water bottle in their socially distanced space. Dancers are allowed to take a sip of water at any point in class.
2. Masks: Instructors will allow for a minimum of two mask breaks per class. During these breaks, dancers will stand or be seated in the center of their space. They will then be permitted to remove their mask and catch their breath away from others.

**\*\*Not feeling 100%?**

1. Students with any symptoms need to stay home.
2. Parents/guardians will be called immediately if a child is exhibiting symptoms.

**\*\*Virtual Option**

1. All classes will be available virtually from November 16, 2020 through December 4, 2020.
2. Parents are required to send an email to the studio at least four hours prior to their class if their child needs to participate virtually. We will continue to do our absolute best to get all virtual students into class on time.

**\*\*Possible Exposure & Exposure to COVID-19**

1. Any family that has been exposed to, or possibly exposed to, COVID-19 is required to quarantine for two weeks- this includes you/your dancer. Please think of others first and make decisions that will not harm others.

### **Cleanliness Reminder**

1. Depending on the material given in class (floorwork, barrework, etc.) dancers will be required to use sanitizer mid-class. Dancers will not be limited as to how often they wish to sanitize. In attempts to keep the air moving out of the space as much as possible, the front studio door (front of Buckingham Green) will remain open when the weather allows to increase air flow in and out of the space. Our fans and AC will run continuously.

### **Lobby Use Reminder**

1. The entrance to Coalesce Center for Dance Artistry is in the back of the Buckingham Green Shopping Center (“Suite J.”) Everyone entering the lobby must be masked. For dancers ten years of age and under, parents may accompany their child in and out of the building if they wish. Parents of dancers over the age of ten may not enter the building at any time to avoid gathering. If any parent needs to use the restroom or needs to speak with Miss Cristina, you may do so. However, we prefer you email us to arrange a meeting time. *\*\*Parents may not use the lobby at any time during classes or private lessons until further notice.*

### **Etiquette Reminder**

1. There are many opinions circulating around COVID-19, while some people are feeling a bit more comfortable, others are still cautious. We ask that you keep your opinions to yourself and please not bring them into or around the studio space. Always remember that your teachers, children, and other students and parents can hear you and that your words have the potential to hurt. Please be kind with your words, actions, and body language. All of us have been through a lot. Be respectful to one another.

### **Studio Safety Reminder**

1. All dancers will be required to keep a safe distance in the studio and our floor tape will help keep that distance consistent.
2. Dancers will be temperature checked at the studio double doors with our no-touch thermometer by a masked teacher. If any temperature reads over 100.4, the dancer will be sent home. *If you or your child is not feeling well, please make the responsible decision to stay home.* Bringing a cold, virus, or any illness into the studio is not worth the risk of infecting others.
3. Be sure that all of your personal items are kept in the cubbies- not in the lobby.
4. Teachers are permitted to touch their students to correct alignment. Sanitizer will be used.
5. No high fives, fist bumps, or hugs.

*These temporary changes are precautions for the upcoming holidays. We thank you for your understanding and thank you for your support as we do our best to keep everyone safe. Let’s dance our way through the holidays safely!*

*Sincerely,  
Cristina E. Siegel*