How We Will Protect Our Students

The School of Ballet Arizona is implementing the following health and safety measures to help protect staff and students:

General Guidelines

- Families should be diligent in monitoring their student’s health. If your student shows any signs of illness, they must stay home.
- **No family, friends, or visitors are allowed in the building** to minimize number of people in the building and protect everyone present. Only authorized students, faculty, and staff are allowed.
- Everyone must wear a mask to help prevent the spread of airborne germs in common areas. This means that whenever a student is not in their designated studio, they must have a mask on, including when they go to the restrooms. It is up to the student’s discretion whether they wear a mask while dancing in the studio.
- **There will be at least a mandatory 6 foot distance** between all participants in the building at all times.
- There will be **NO CONGREGATING IN THE LOBBY** – students will check in, go through a short screening process and then proceed straight to their designated studio. Once class has been completed, the students depart the studio 6 feet apart.
- No more than 3 students will be allowed in the bathroom at a time.
- Students should not bring more supplies than what they need for each day’s classes. Every student should bring their own towel and water bottle for personal use ONLY. The communal water fountains will be closed at this time. Please also bring any needed medications, such as an inhaler, in your student’s bag.
- Students will keep their dance bags and other materials next to them under the barres.

Arrival at the Studios

- Hand sanitization will be available for student use and required upon entering the building.
- We encourage students to come in “clean” proper attire and discourage apparel that students may have perspired in prior to arrival at class.
- Mandatory temperature checks will be done for each student upon entering the building (via laser thermometer). If a student’s temperature is over 100.3 degrees, they will not be allowed to remain at the building and must be taken home immediately.
- Ballet Arizona faculty and staff reserve the right to send a student home if they are concerned they may be ill.
- **There will be NO DRESSING ROOM ACCESS**, so students must come fully dressed for class.
- Drop-off and pick-up times must be strictly observed. Students may not arrive more than 15 minutes before the start of their class, and they must depart within 15 minutes of the end of their last class.
• Students and families must park in a designated spot while dropping off or waiting for their student. **No line forming or idling in the lane will be allowed.**
• Students will enter the building in groups of 5. If more than 5 students arrive at the same time, some will be asked to wait outside in a socially distanced manner until the first set of students have been cleared.

**Classes**
• There will be a maximum of 15 students in Adult Open class, as well as a teacher and an accompanist (as needed).
• Floors are marked to maintain proper 6-foot social distance at the barre as recommended by the CDC.
• Staff will provide only verbal and visual corrections and will refrain from physical corrections to maintain a no-contact experience.

**If Someone Falls Ill**
• If a person tests positive for COVID-19 and has been in the Ballet Arizona building within 14 days of their test, we will consult health officials immediately.
• If anyone tests positive for COVID-19, they must alert The School of Ballet Arizona immediately. Ballet Arizona will consult with health officials and may close its premises as needed to thoroughly clean and disinfect the building. Every scenario will be handled on a case-by-case basis based on the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 and set for by the guidelines of the CDC and Department of Health of Arizona.
• Ballet Arizona may require a medical note in order to allow a student who has been ill to return to any activities at the School.

**Safety and Cleaning**
• Ballet Arizona will provide thorough, daily cleanings of the building, paying special attention to the high-touch surfaces in the classroom spaces and sanitizing them between classes.
• Disinfectants and cleaning supplies will be provided and stocked in each classroom for use.
• Bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized frequently.
• Hand sanitizer stations will be available throughout the common areas of the building for convenience.
• All dressing rooms, lobbies, and other common areas closed will be closed for now to minimize person to surface contact.
• For convenience, Ballet Arizona has marked the front sidewalk and the entry corridor with 6-foot distance tape markers. All persons entering and exiting the building will be expected to observe the marks and maintain this distance from others.