

## Raedene's Dancin' Stars Studio 2020 – 2021 Dance Season

RDSS Families - We are so excited with the anticipation of getting ready to re-open the dance studio! These last several months have been long while we have anxiously awaited the reopening.

During this time, researching the best practices and safety procedures has been the priority while we await the return of your children. The policies have been created to comply with standards that have been put in place by the CDC and State of Michigan related to the COVID-19 pandemic. More than anything, we appreciate your support in starting and or continuing dance training at RDSS. We can't wait for dance to begin and see all of your children's smiles! All policies are subject to change.

## Facility Infection Control Practices RDSS has put in place:

- Air Purification LED in 5 HVAC systems (Late summer)
- Desk Sneeze guards
- Floor Markers, designated dancer's "space" for personal items, 6 feet distanced instructional spaces
- Hand sanitizer station in lobby and all classrooms
- The break room, drinking fountains and vending machine will be closed at this time.
- Cleaning / Sanitizing
  - Dance Rooms After each class
  - Lobby/Bathrooms Hourly
  - Full Facility SNiPER™ powerful Hospital Disinfectant and all-purpose cleaner that is a mild, environmentally friendly product (product subject to change) – Daily
  - Full facility clean and sanitizing Weekly

## Dance Studio Procedures – Staff, Students and Parents:

- To maintain capacity limits of 50%, parents and/or siblings are not allowed in our waiting area.
- Our 50% occupancy is no more than 47 total in the building.
- Class openings will vary due to monitoring the sizes in the other rooms.
- Masks are required while walking into the building and during dance classes until further notice.

## Drop Off & Pick-Up Procedures Part 1:

- 5 10 minutes before the start of class, Students and parents will line up outside by front door # 1.
- We will temperature check the student's forehead, with an infrared thermometer. Students with a temperature above 100.4 will not be allowed in the building. You will be asked to answer a few questions such as, in the last 24 hours, has the dancer had a fever, cough, sore throat, and been around anyone recently that has had COVID-19.

## Drop Off & Pick-Up Procedures (Part 2 - Level 1 classes and younger):

- Dancers will receive a bracelet with a number, and parents will receive a pickup card with the same number for pick up after dance. Parents are then asked to leave the check-in area.
- Dancers will come into the studio and be met by a staff member or student assistant.
- Assistants will ask dancers to remain in the front lobby until the majority of the class has checked in.
- The assistant will then walk the students to an area by their classroom. Students will take off their street shoes before entering and change shoes inside the classroom. Small bags only.
- After class, and the students have changed shoes, the assistant will walk the dancer to the lobby window and wait with them until picked up at door # 2 by the adult, who will then turn in the pickup card.

## Drop Off & Pick-Up Procedures (Part 2 - Level 2 classes and older):

- Once the dancers come into the studio, they should go to the doors of their classroom and remain socially distant from others.
- After class, and the students have changed shoes, students will walk to the lobby, go to door 2 and follow the pickup instructions the parent has given the child. (drive home themselves, wait for the parent to come to the window, or other.
- Parents will not come into the studio and dancers should not leave unless the parent is present or has given permission to leave.

## Hand Sanitizer:

- We are asking dancers to use hand sanitizer when they walk into the building.
- Hand Sanitizer is also located in each classroom.
- Students that cough during class or leave the room to use the bathroom, will be asked to apply hand sanitizer.

## Water Bottles:

• The Drinking fountains will be closed. You may bring a water bottle into the classroom.

## Dance Room Procedures:

- The teachers will give the dancers water breaks every 20 minutes throughout class where they can take down their mask (away from others) and hydrate. If at any time the dancer is feeling they are having a hard time with the mask, we ask that they tell the teacher, and go to the front desk to take a break and decide if they would like to continue class that evening.
- Each dancer will go to a socially distanced yellow taped marker inside the dance room to change their shoes and keep their bag and water bottle.
- In each room, there will be 6 feet taped boxes for each dancer to take class in. At times, dancers might participate in across the floor activities while remaining 6 feet apart. Students in competition team classes, may rehearse dances that involve formation changes, thus less than 6 feet apart. (currently not at this time).
- Minimal props will be used during this time and all dance equipment will be sanitized between classes.
- Teachers will not hug the dancers or touch the students face/head. If teachers have corrected the dancer's foot or arm alignment, they will use hand sanitizer frequently during the class.

## **Observation of classes/curriculum:**

• Several times during the year, we will post videos on our private BAND site, so you can see what the students are doing in class. More information to follow.

# Stickers: (Starting in October)

- Students in level 1 and lower will receive a sticker book for each class.
- Teachers will show the students the book on the first day of class.
- After classes, teachers will put stickers in the books and periodically show the dancers.
- Students will be able to take home their sticker book in December and receive a new book in January.
- Please talk to your dancer about not receiving stickers after class and how they will be able to take the book home in December and end of year.

## Sickness guidelines:

- The CDC recommends If you are displaying any symptoms of illness (coughing, runny nose, sneezing, shortness of breath, fever) to please stay at home.
- Students/Staff should be fever free 72 hours without medication before returning to the studio.
- Please consult with your Dr. regarding isolation times if you are in contact with anyone that has COVID-19.

#### Sick while at the studio:

• If a staff member witnesses a student appearing ill, sluggish, runny nose, coughing, ect., the student will be asked to go the front desk to call home to be picked up.

#### Reporting sickness:

 If your dancer is experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms, have been in contact with someone that has COVID-19, or have tested positive, please immediately email the studio @ rdss.office@yahoo.com, and let us know.

#### Studio Closures based on outbreak:

- RDSS will utilize the CDC recommendations to remain open or close based on the specifics of the outbreak. We will notify the class without giving out the student's name (HIPAA law).
- We are contracted with Jan Pro that will disinfect the room and or facility.
- If the dance studio is required to close, we will hold zoom classes or distribute links to online training.
- Regardless of the learning environment, your tuition will be the same. The tuition you pay is an exchange for learning.
- Tuition credits or makeup classes will not be issued for any class cancellations. Students may choose to drop classes at the end of a month and re-enroll at the beginning of a different month, providing space is available.

Thank you for your patience as we navigate this new protocol!