

****NEW COVID-19 POLICIES****

It is, and always has been, our priority to provide a healthy, safe and clean environment for all dancers and staff as required by the Ontario Government and Dance Safe Ontario. Due to these uncharted and very fluid times, we will be implementing some changes. Please review the following policies/guidelines.

We thank-you for your patience as we work to keep our dance family healthy.

SELF-SCREENING PROCEDURES

All individuals, including children, parents/guardians, staff, contractors, and volunteers must self-assess before arrival. Entry will be denied to any person who has any of the symptoms outlined below:

- Did the person have close contact with anyone with acute respiratory illness or who travelled outside of Ontario in the past 14 days?
- Does this person have a confirmed case of COVID-19 or had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19?
- Does this person have any of the following symptoms:
 - Fever
 - New onset cough
 - Worsening chronic cough
 - Shortness of breath
 - Difficulty breathing
 - Sore throat
 - Difficulty swallowing
 - Decrease or loss of sense of taste or smell
 - Chills
 - Headaches
 - Unexplained fatigue/ malaise/ muscle aches
 - Nausea/ vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain
 - Pink eye (conjunctivitis)
 - Runny nose/ nasal congestion without other known cause

If you are experiencing any of the symptoms listed above, DO NOT attend the studio. Please call and advise the office if your dancer will not be attending.

HAND SANITIZING

Every person entering the building must sanitize their hands at the hand sanitizer station set up at the front door.

FACE COVERINGS

Face coverings must be worn by all persons (over the age of 2) entering the building. Dancers are required to wear their face coverings until they are in their own designated space inside the studio (we like to call these our “dancers’ islands”).

COBOURG Entry will be done from the East door, once the sign in the window is **Green**, if the sign is **RED** do not enter.

Exiting will be done from the South door. The studio will be marked with directional arrows to ensure you are going the correct way.

When picking up your child please do not park in front of the soccer club. We ask that you park in either the gravel area to the south or the parking area to the East and walk to the pickup door to meet your child. Dancers will be escorted out to the pick up area when classes are complete. We ask that parents be prompt for pick-up times please. Waiting areas are closed other than for students who need a caregiver.

PORT HOPE

Entry will be done by invite only. Dancers will be invited into the studio one at a time to prepare to go into the studio.

Dancers will be dismissed one at a time at the door to a parent/guardian. We ask that parents be prompt for pick-up times please.

CHANGE AREAS

Change areas are currently closed. Dancers should arrive at the studio with their dance clothing under their street clothing.

BATHROOMS

The bathrooms are open. We have increased the frequency of cleaning in the bathroom. Dancers using the washroom are required to follow proper hand washing procedures before leaving the washroom (signs are posted by the sink). We encourage dancers to use the bathroom facilities at home prior to or after dance whenever possible.

HOW WE ARE ENSURING PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Only registered dancers may enter the building, when invited by a staff member, to reduce cross-over and maintain appropriate physical distancing before and after their scheduled class time. Class start and end times will be staggered, if necessary, to limit the number of dancers in a common space at the same time and to adhere to physical distancing requirements.

All outdoor belongings (shoes, jackets, etc) will be placed and stored at least two metres apart or will be kept with the parent/guardian outside of the studio.

Space markers have been placed in common areas and studios to ensure two-metre physical distancing requirements are always adhered to. Waiting rooms will be closed, other than for students who need a caregiver. Parents/guardians will be advised of necessary physical distancing requirements and encouraged to wait outside or in their vehicles where/when possible.

Parents/guardians are required to wait with dancers until the designated drop-off time and to meet their dancer outside the building after class at the designated time. Dancers' safe exit from the building to a parent/guardian will be monitored by staff.

Class schedules have been adjusted to allow for the cleaning of studios, barres, and any equipment used between classes.

ADAPTING CLASSES (if classes are unable to continue in person)

If classes are not able to continue in an in-person setting, we will be making the following accommodations:

Performance Plus Dancers: The remaining dance season will be cancelled and a credit for all remaining classes will be placed on your account. This credit can be used towards any services we offer, including online classes, in-person classes, birthday parties, private lessons, etc.

We will then offer Online Mini Sessions for dancers who wish to continue their dance training online.

The Team: To continue your training and to prepare for the upcoming competitive season we will move to our Online Studio.

Each team will receive a group rehearsal for their competitive choreography, a stretch & technique class, and a ballet class. As well, if your dancer's team trains in acro or tap, these classes will continue online. All team dancers will also receive a once a week 30 minute private lesson. If a dancer has an in-studio private lesson, this will continue online.

WHAT ELSE HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

- Providing hand sanitizer at the door and in all rooms
- Placed signage throughout the building to maintain 6ft or 2 metres apart
- Having a 1 way flow through the studio with a separate entrance and exit (where possible) to avoid congestion in common areas
- Established a drop off and pick up protocol to avoid unnecessary people being in the building
- Established an enhanced cleaning protocol for between classes and at the end of every day

OUR REQUEST

We could not have predicted we would be in this situation and it is important that dancers be able to continue healthy physical and social development. We ask that you continue to be kind while we navigate these changing times and provide the best and safest learning environment for all at Just Dance.

Please check Our App, Facebook, Instagram, and your emails as frequently as possible to keep up to date with ongoing changes as required.

NOTE: all policies and procedures are subject to change as frequently as required.