



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS & PROCEDURES

Providing a safe environment at NEDC during COVID-19!

Our primary goal is to continue to provide a safe environment for our students, their families and our staff. To do this during COVID-19, we have expanded our studio cleaning guidelines and safe dance practices to include a more comprehensive approach. The following is a detailed list of how NEDC promises to follow along with regulations set by the State of Massachusetts and the CDC. Please note that this is an ever changing situation and this page will be updated as regulations change. If you have any questions or concerns with this information please e-mail the studio directly or call our office with your concerns. The well being of our students and their families is our number 1 priority.

- We will be offering in-studio classes as well as some online classes thru Zoom. We understand that everyone's level of "comfortability" is different and each of us have different situations; this includes our teachers. Therefore, we want to be able to offer as many options for all which includes some classes being "online only" and some classes being "in-studio only".
- The studio is being cleaned on a daily basis before and after each class with hospital grade disinfectant solutions. This includes high touch areas such as doorknobs, ballet barres, etc.
- We have installed touchless soap dispensers in each of the bathrooms.
- Hand sanitizer stations are located in multiple areas of the studio for use by faculty and students.
- We have prepared our doors, hallways and classrooms with the appropriate signage for social distancing.
- Informational and policy signage to encourage healthy practices will be located throughout the studio.
- We are providing training to our staff on cleaning protocols, positive enforcement of social distancing and best practices to prevent illness and encourage healthy in-studio habits.
- Teachers will provide non-contact instruction for in-studio classes.
- All students are required to wear face masks when entering and exiting the facility and when interacting with teachers or other students. Students over the age of 3 are required to wear a mask at all times.
- Only registered students will be allowed to enter the facility. **No other persons will be allowed to enter or wait in the lobby.** Students will be dropped and picked up at the front door.
- The dance studio floors have been marked off with tape. Each student will have a 6 foot box to stand inside and do all of their dancing. The center of the next box will be 6 feet apart from that.
- No dancers will come within 6 feet of each other while in the dance studio.
- Dancers must have ballet shoes on their feet at all times. No bare feet allowed.
- There will be no use of shared dance props like scarves and hoops.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE PROTOCOLS BELOW WHEN ATTENDING CLASSES:



Only registered students will be allowed to enter the facility. Parents will drop their student at the front door. The lobby is closed.

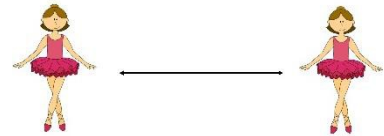


All students must wear a mask upon entering, during class & exiting the Studio.



Students will stop at the hand sanitizing station inside the front door and apply hand sanitizer before entering the classroom and exiting the studio.

Upon entering the studio, students must practice social distancing. The floors have been marked in the lobby to show students where to stand while waiting to enter/exit the studio or if waiting to use the bathroom.



Students should limit bringing personal belongings into the studio. In the petite studio classroom, students will have a bin to place their belongings. In the main studio classroom, students will be assigned a dancing foot print.

Each classroom has been taped off for social distancing. Students will be assigned a "dance square" upon entering the classroom. They will need to remain in the "dance square" during class. Students must maintain social distancing at all times.

