

**COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines and Requirements**  
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Welcome to the 2021-2022 dance season at Columbus DanceArts Academy! We are excited to share the joy of dance with new and returning students and families at CDA! Our COVID-19 guidelines and requirements take into consideration the recommendations by the CDC for Dance Studio Businesses. We are hoping that the COVID-Delta surge that is affecting children far more and that is 50% more transmissible will diminish in cases soon. We will update our guidelines accordingly.

**MASKS:**

- **ALL UNVACCINATED** students and families ages Kinder-Adult **are required** to wear a mask in the lobby area and in the class rooms.
- **ALL VACCINATED DANCERS AND VACCINATED FAMILY MEMBERS** **are required** to wear a mask in the CDA Lobby Area and Company Dressing Room. We **strongly urge** vaccinated dancers to wear a mask in the class rooms.
- **ALL VACCINATED DANCERS** in mixed-age classes that include students under the age of 12 **are required** to wear a mask in the mixed-age class rooms.
- We welcome and strongly recommend that Preschool students also wear masks, if they are able to keep them on throughout their dance class.
- **VACCINATED** dancers and families **are strongly advised** to wear a mask at CDA in all indoor areas.
- All CDA employees **are required** to wear a mask.

**DISTANCING AND CAPACITY:**

- **PARENTS OF 1<sup>st</sup> Grade CLASS DANCERS AND OLDER:** We are asking that parents of 1<sup>st</sup> grade dancers and older do not remain in the lobby area. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep our lobby area safe for the dancers with less traffic and more open space.
- **PARENTS OF PRESCHOOL AND KINDER DANCERS:** One parent of Preschool and Kinder dancers may remain in the lobby during their child's class. We ask, if possible, that you make arrangements for siblings in order to keep capacity lower.
- **LIMITED CAPACITY IN THE COMPANY DRESSING ROOM:** The Company Dressing Room will be open to Company and Pre Company and Progressive dancers **ages twelve and older**.
- We are asking all students and families to distance by 3 feet while in the lobby area.
- Instructors will try to distance the dancers by 3 feet. However, during class, this is not always possible.

**ADDITIONAL SAFETY GUIDELINES:**

- **The CDA drinking fountain remains closed. Bring a personal water bottle with dancer name on it.**
- We ask that dancers bring a small dance bag with necessary items for that day rather than a huge dance bag.
- Place street shoes on the shoe racks next to each dance studio.
- Cubbies are open. **NO SHOES IN CUBBIES.** Hang coats on coat hooks. Cubbies may be used to store dance bags. Do not leave personal items in the cubbies. Items left at CDA will be discarded.
- **DO NOT ENTER CDA WITH ILLNESS SYMPTOMS!**
- **If a student tells their teacher that they do not feel well (headache, stomach ache, etc.), the teacher will escort the dancer to the office and the office will call the parent to pick the child up.**

**ADDITIONAL SANITIZATION AND VENTILATION:**

- **EACH CLASS WILL BEGIN 3 MINUTES LATE SO AS TO ALLOW THE INSTRUCTORS TO SANITIZE THE STUDIO FLOORS AND BALLET BARRES AFTER EACH CLASS.**
- CDA has 100% ventilation and high grade HVAC filters that are changed regularly.
- Hand sanitizer is provided throughout the facility. We encourage hand washing after class.
- CDA is fully cleaned and sanitized before the start of each day.