

## **Frequent Hand Hygiene**

- Employees will wash hands and/or sanitize before and after each class.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available outside of all entrances, outside of every classroom, and inside the classrooms.
- Students will be encouraged to wash hands and/or sanitize before and after classes.
- Hand washing posters are posted within bathrooms and classrooms.

## **Enhanced Cleaning**

### **Procedures**

- We have increased our cleaning frequencies and sanitation procedures in high traffic areas and high touch surfaces of the studio such as doors, viewing windows, barres, floors, counters, stereos, and bathrooms.

## **Minimized Mixing &**

### **Mingling**

- We have made facility, scheduling, and curricular changes to reduce mixing and mingling in support of social distancing recommendations. However, we understand that unlike older children and adults, young children cannot be expected to maintain social distancing at all times.

## **Gradual Re-Opening & Continuous Parent Communication**

- We are gradually reopening with staggered classes to avoid the mixing of cohorts and the option to Zoom classes is available.
- Please visit our website and join our EDS Parent & Student Community Private Facebook Group beginning August 1st where you will find a stop and go light icon that clearly indicates the status of classes: Green indicates it is safe to attend face-to-face classes. Yellow indicates a cautionary change to service delivery. Red indicates clients should stay home and attend class online.

## **Arrival & Departure**

- Please exit from the same entrance you enter upon arrival.
- At this time, we ask that parents wait in their cars or outside during classes to help with social distancing in the building. Parents of dancers under age 7 are able to walk your dancer in.
- Please limit parent drop off to one person whenever possible. Sibling visitors cannot be accommodated during this term.
- Parents will be asked to wait outside for kids to be released. At the end of class, parents must be by the door to receive their child. Students should not walk alone across the street to go to their parents for safety reasons.

## **Facility & Curricular Adjustments**

- **Please use the restroom at home before coming to class whenever possible.**
- All lobby waiting areas, locker rooms, staff room, etc will be closed unless specified.
- Please bring clearly labeled water bottles. The bathroom sink should not be used for water consumption.
- Dancers will bring all dance bags into the studio for changing shoes. Locker rooms will be closed.
- Dancers should layer clothing as appropriate in the case of back to back classes.
- Bathrooms will be available for toileting only. Please do not use the bathroom as a dressing room.
- No food will be allowed in the studio.
- Curricular adjustments have been made to eliminate prop use, hand-holding, and to reduce mixing and mingling in the classroom.
- Class sizes have been modified to reflect current county recommendations.
- Classrooms will refrain from high fives, "ballerina hugs", fist bumps, stickers, and stamps.
- Classrooms will have staggered dismissal (3-5 minutes) to allow for student transitions.

Every class will be limited according to Routt County capacity regulations. Virtual options are available for every class, and we are building in inter-sessional breaks to the season as well.

### **WELLNESS CHECKS FOR STAFF**

### **FREQUENT HAND HYGIENE**

### **ENHANCED CLEANING PROCEDURES**

### **MINIMIZING MIXING & MINGLING PROCEDURES VIA SOCIAL DISTANCING PRACTICES**

### **CURRICULAR AND FACILITY ADJUSTMENTS**

### **GRADUAL RE-OPENING AND CONTINUOUS PARENT COMMUNICATION**

According to the most recent county amended public health order, face-coverings are encouraged but not required for individuals actively engaged in physical exercise. So please plan to arrive with a face-covering on, and wear in all common areas of the facility, but feel free to remove face-coverings while in the studio classroom.

The county confirmed that if the studio receives a report of exposure risk, the reporter will be asked to share with the County, close contacts will be notified and the exposure-risk cleaning procedures will be enacted. The Routt County Public Health Department encourages those with exposure risk to self-quarantine for 14 days from the date of potential exposure. EDS has the ability to monitor staff self quarantine but does not have the capacity to monitor student self-quarantine. Please use your own discretion as to whether or not you are comfortable returning to class next week or if you would rather participate from home. There is absolutely no penalty for absences and classes may be made up in-person (space permitting) or online (anytime). Thank you for your help in supporting community health! If the studio receives a cluster report of exposure risk, we will work directly with the County on the next steps.

**WE APPRECIATE YOU!**