

PMDI Safety Guidelines & Procedures

Fall 2021- Spring 2022

FOR PARENTS & DANCERS

GENERAL COVID-19 CONSCIOUS POLICIES

In-Person Classes

PMDI will offer in-person classes while prioritizing the health and safety of our dance families and faculty.

Mandatory Health Release

Parents will be required to sign a statement verifying that the student and entire family has not been sick (symptoms of acute respiratory illness consistent with COVID-19 – such as fever, cough, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or shortness of breath) or exposed to COVID-19 within 14 days of class start date.

Shutdown Contingency and Refunds

If another shutdown occurs, classes will shift to a virtual platform. Families will be given notice and offered an opportunity to decide if they would like to continue virtual classes. Once the timeframe to discontinue classes has expired, families are committed to fulfilling 100% of the tuition. Students who decide to unenroll will be issued a partial refund based on the number of classes.

Enrollment Commitment

For the health and safety of students and instructors, this is a full commitment program. Partial enrollment and drop-ins cannot be accommodated.

Class Capacity

Class numbers will be determined by DC and CDC guidelines for indoor gatherings.

Payment

Payment and/or deposit is due upon registration.

Mandatory Punctuality Policy

Late arrivals WILL NOT be permitted for safety reasons. Please arrive at class at the time stated in your schedule.

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Example:

Wednesday, Ballet II, 4:45pm

4:45pm- Students arrive, temperatures are taken, students move to their designated studio

5pm- Class begins

*If a student arrives at 5pm, this is considered late and they will not be admitted to class

Make-Up Classes

Make-up classes will not be offered due to tardiness and will be reviewed under other circumstances.

If a student is sick and needs to remain at home, PMDI will work with the family to explore alternative options.

CLASS & HEALTH SAFETY POLICIES

Masks

PMDI will follow the guidelines set forth by DC and the CDC as it relates to wearing masks indoors. When masks are worn, students will have breaks to get air and faculty will be especially attentive to student needs.

Social Distancing

PMDI will follow the guidelines set forth by DC and the CDC as it relates to social distancing indoors.

Taking Temperatures

All visitors, students, staff, and faculty's temperatures will be taken at the door upon entry. Those with a temperature of 100.3 F or less will be admitted into the studio. If visitors, parents, students, staff, or faculty have a temperature about 100.3 F, they will be asked to leave the studio and not return until the temperature has returned to or below 100.3 F.

Hand Washing & Sanitizing

Hand washing and sanitizing before entering the building (applies to all visitors, students, staff, and faculty) and after exiting the dance studio for students. Hand sanitizer will be provided and stationed at entry/exits and throughout the studio.

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Student Drop Off & Entry/Exit

Parents should drop students off at the designated entry point and avoid entering the studio unless it is absolutely necessary. Students should enter/exit at the designated location specified by PMDI.

Parents should remain at the building entrance until the student's temperature is taken and they are cleared to enter class. Students with a temperature of 100.3 F or less will be admitted to class.

If parents enter the studio, social distancing, face mask, hand washing/sanitizing, and temperature taking is required. Additionally, Parents will be required to sign a statement verifying that they and entire family have not been sick (symptoms of acute respiratory illness consistent with COVID-19 – such as fever, cough, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or shortness of breath) or exposed to COVID-19 within 14 days of entering the studio.

Common Area Use

There will be minimal to no use of common spaces or water fountains. In the event that space needs to be used, social distancing will apply.

Limited Hall Transitions

Students will take their class in the same studio to avoid transitioning into different spaces.

Personal Items

Personal items will be kept with students in their studio and not stored overnight at the studio.

Bathroom Cleaning Schedule

Bathrooms and studios will be disinfected before all daily classes, in between classes, and at the conclusion of class.

HVAC Circulation & Cleanliness

The HVAC system and building ventilation is specific to our area of the building and circulates from outdoor air.

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Good Health Policy

Parents should notify PMDI and stay home if they or their children have symptoms of acute respiratory illness consistent with COVID-19 – such as fever, cough, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or shortness of breath – that is not explained by another medical or allergic condition.

Communication

PMDI is committed to ongoing communication and ensuring that parents, students, faculty and staff are aware of studio policies and operations. Preventative measures and clear communication will be the first step in ensuring the health and safety at PMDI.

In the event that a PMDI parent or dancer tests positive for COVID, all studio families will be notified with a clear plan for classes.

Community Commitment and Mutual Responsibility

All PMDI community members (visitors, students, parents, staff, and faculty) are responsible for politely and respectfully holding each other accountable to the outlined plan. Health and safety is a part of our public responsibility.

Non Compliance

If a student, parent, staff or faculty member is not in compliance with the outlined plan, there will be two reminders provided by PMDI staff, faculty, or founder. If the non compliance persists, the student, parent, staff or faculty member will be asked not to return to the studio. Refunds will not be issued if classes are discontinued due to non compliance.

Closure Plan

Compliance

If closure or modified operations are mandated by the city of Washington, DC, PMDI will follow the protocol issued.

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PMDI is committed to ongoing communication and ensuring that parents, students, faculty and staff are aware of studio policies and operations. Information will be shared through multiple channels including email, in person, hard paper copy, social media, etc.