

KDA Covid-19 Safety Practices & Policies

We are so excited to see our dancers back in the studio! It hasn't been the same the past few months and we hope the new KDA dance season will bring some sense of normalcy.

We have prepared the following information to help you have a happy, healthy, and safe return to classes. Please review before your first class to ensure a smooth transition.

Please note that students will not be allowed to attend classes if they have a temperature at 100.4 degrees.

Wellness Checks for Staff & Dancers

- All staff members are wellness checked each day.
- Parents are asked to not send their children to class if they, or a member of their household, have a fever or respiratory symptoms.
- Parents are asked to not send their children to class if they, or a member of their household, have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- Students/parents will be asked to fill out a wellness check form before entering the studio for class and have temperature checked and recorded.

Frequent Hand Hygiene

- Employees will wash and sanitize their hands before and after each class.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available throughout the studio, including inside of all KDA entry doors, inside of every classroom, and at our check-in stations. Students will be encouraged to wash or sanitize their hands 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, acro mats, barres, floors, counters, stereos, and bathrooms.

Social Dis-Dancing

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

Facility & Curricular Adjustments

- All lobby waiting areas, dressing rooms, and student lounge will be closed unless specified otherwise.
- Please bring clearly labeled (with student name) water bottles. Drinking fountains will not be available.
- No food will be allowed in the studio.
- Curricular adjustments have been made to prop-sharing and hand-holding to reduce mixing and mingling in the classroom.
- Class sizes have been modified to reflect current recommendations of no more than 12 dance students per class.
- Each studio has a square grid for dancers to have their own personal space while dancing. All spots are 6 to 7-feet apart on all sides.
- Classes will refrain from high fives, hugs, fist bumps, stickers.
- Classrooms will have staggered dismissal (3-5 minutes) to allow for student transitions.

Arrival & Departure

- A staff member will be available for arrivals 10 minutes prior to class.
- Students will be greeted at the main front entrance of the building. Dancers must be checked in prior to entering the studio. At this time, we ask that parents wait in their cars or outside during classes to help with physical distancing in the building.
- Please be on time. This is important to keep the studio on schedule with class arrival and release times.
- If you arrive late to class and there is not a check-in person present, you will need to call the studio office at 252-523-1994 so a staff member can check in your dancer. There will be no entry into the studio without being checked in.
- Dancers should arrive dressed and prepared for dance class.
- Dancers please use a small dance bag for your personal items (examples: dance shoes, water bottle, masks, germ-x or any other essential items).
- Dancers can change into dance shoes once inside the studio. No street shoes or bare feet will be allowed on dance floors. **Acro dancers will be allowed to wear ballet or jazz shoes. Ballet shoes are preferred. Parents please do not allow your child to wear dance shoes to and from the studio for safety precautions. Staff will be available to help dancers under 5 with their shoes if needed.
- Please limit parent drop off to one person whenever possible. Sibling visitors cannot be accommodated at this time.
- All dancers will be escorted back to the entrance of the building to be picked up at the end of class.

- If you are unable to attend your scheduled dance class, please call KDA front desk (252-523-1994) to let our staff know.

Bathroom Use

- We encourage all students to use the restroom at home before coming to class.
- Bathrooms will be limited to emergencies and will be cleaned frequently.
- Bathroom facility use will be limited to each studio's designated bathroom.

Masks.

- Mask wearing for students and parents is as follows:
 - Ages 2-5 = highly recommended, but not required
 - Grades K-Adults = required at drop off/pick-up and studio common areas. Masks will be required while dancing.
 - Parents required to wear masks during drop off/pick-up if in the KDA building premises.
 - Students will provide their own masks and cannot be shared

Tuition Payments

- In order to limit the number of people in the building, we suggest putting your check or cash payment in an envelope (provided by KDA) for the dancer to place in a designated container at the check-in station when arriving for class. They will receive a written receipt at the end of class. If you would like to make a credit card payment, you may call the front desk at (252) 523-1994 and we will be glad to take that over the phone. Please remember that a 3% fee will be added to credit card payments.
- Tuition is due the first week of each month, payments made after the 15th will be charged a \$15 late fee.