

Communicable Disease Prevention Plan – Dance Unlimited Performing Arts Inc.

(updated August 7th, 2022) This plan will be updated as policies and information updates are available from Work Safe BC, the BCCDC and our Provincial Health Officer.

1. Understanding the risk:

- Preventing communicable disease involves taking ongoing measures to reduce the risk of communicable disease transmission in your workplace. It also involves implementing additional measures when advised to do so by Public Health during periods of elevated risk.
- The level of risk of certain communicable diseases, including COVID-19, may increase from time to time or on a seasonal basis. This may occur at a local or regional level, or within a certain workplace.

2. Controlled access and limited occupancy:

- To limit traffic within the studio, dancers 4 and up will enter the studio by themselves.
- Spectators/ parents are not permitted to remain in the building.
- Dancers may remain in the building if they have a break between classes.
- Viewing windows will be closed to avoid gathering in common areas.

3. Signs of illness:

- Faculty, staff, volunteers and dancers will **NOT** be permitted in the building if they are showing any symptoms of illness. This includes but is not limited to; symptoms of a cold, flu, or Covid-19 including a cough, sneezing, runny nose, sore throat, fatigue.
- Parents should email us to let us know their dancer will be missing class. Providing us with the reason for their absence will allow us to maintain record for absences, but is not mandatory.

4. Dancer entry/exit points:

- Dancers are to enter the building no more than 5 minutes before class start time.
- If waiting outside the building, do not congregate or block the stairwell or exit door.
- Parents must be at the studio immediately at the end of their dancers' class for pick up. Please plan accordingly.
- Parents of younger dancers must make sure they are waiting outside the exit door area for their dancer to be released from their class.
- The exit door from inside the studio is located at the end of the hallways by studio 3 door. From outside, it is located to the right of the lower loading bay.

5. Hand sanitizer stations and hand washing stations:

- Health Canada approved sanitizer with greater than 60% alcohol is provided.
- The foyer and all 3 studios have a touchless hand sanitizer dispenser.
- Faculty and dancers will sanitize or wash hands throughout the class as necessary.
- Hand washing stations have touchless soap dispensers, touchless single use paper towel dispensers and hot water. Hand washing guidelines are posted.

6. Physical contact:

- Physical spotting, or contact with others may be done in classes and will be done in Acro.
- It is expected that dancers and faculty respect the space of others.

7. Masks:

- Masks are not required but may be worn if you choose.

8. Changing facilities:

- Changing facilities are closed.
- Dancers will arrive ready to participate. Shoes will be changed in the foyer.
- Dance attire must incorporate all genres dancers are taking that day. Example, ballet attire is worn under Hip Hop attire. Dancers cannot change between classes, but may remove layered clothing and place it in their bin.
- Only dance shoes and water bottles will be permitted in the studio.
- Please bring a small bag to keep your items in. Please do not bring large bags or backpacks.
- Dancers arriving by bus after school with their school bag will be permitted to bring them in to the studio.

9. Water bottles:

- Water bottles CANNOT be refilled at the studio.
- Dancers must bring their own full water bottle.
- Water faucets are not to be used for drinking from.
- For dancers with multiple classes in a row, parents must be sure to send their dancer with enough water for all their classes.

10. Online participation:

- We are ready to fully transition immediately to Zoom classes should we be shut down by a PHO Order due to a communicable disease.

11. Cleaning and disinfecting:

- We will use a disinfectant that has a Drug Identification Number (DIN) and a virucidal claim (efficacy against viruses).
- Barres, mats, door handles, light switches, foyer desk, personal computers and audio/ visual equipment will be disinfected regularly.
- The studio will be cleaned and disinfected thoroughly after classes conclude for the day.

12. Ventilation:

- The HVAC system will always be on during class time ensuring fresh air from outside is brought in to each individual studio.

13. Communication and staff/ faculty training:

- Our most up to date Communicable Disease Prevention Plan is available on our website at www.danceunlimited.ca.
- Training is provided to faculty, staff and volunteers regarding communicable disease prevention.