

PDA Covid-19 Procedures for Clientele

We encourage all families to make the best choice for their specific situation. PDA is offering a wide variety of class options this season, including Morning, Afternoon, Evening, & Weekend, in-studio AND Zoom classes. Our scheduled Zoom classes will be enrolled by Fall, Winter, Spring Sessions, and purchased as an unlimited drop-in class enrollment. Our in-studio classes, can be made-up via Zoom (live or recorded) in case of absence.

Powell Dance Academy Pledge

The staff at PDA pledge to exceed your expectations in regards to keeping our facility disinfected and safe for patrons while continuing to run in-studio classes.

- Daily cleaning for the entire establishment. Sanitizing all high touch areas before and after class, and more frequently as needed (e.g. door handles, light switches, phones, pens, touch screens).
- Adding touchless fixtures where possible.
- Enhance weekly & monthly deep cleaning checklists including air filtration replacements, studio floor and fixture sanitizing.
- Emphasizing employee education and compliance with hand washing, face coverings, and health checks.

Guidelines for In-Studio Participation

- Patrons MAY NOT enter building if symptomatic.
- Patrons who enter the building and develop symptoms will be sent home IMMEDIATELY.
- Patrons over the age of 2 must wear face coverings. Dancers must wear face coverings during classes. Instances of mask use during heavy cardio will be handled on a case-by-case basis.
- Attendance in class is by drop-off/pick-up only.
 - Ages 12+, students ONLY, no observers.
 - Ages 10 & under, ONE (1) adult may accompany student into & out of building if necessary.
 - Observers/caregivers of young children should only remain in building if absolutely necessary.
 - We encouraging the use of the front entrance for studio A & D classes and the rear entrance for studio B & C classes.
- Students should arrive for class fully dressed with as few personal items as possible. Please leave cell phone in the car or keep inside dance bag at all times.
- Students should arrive no more than five (5) minutes prior to start of class. Until further notice, we ask students wait in their cars for the prior class to exit, and come to the door when called by a staff member.
- Social distancing & proper hygiene practices must be observed at all times.
- NO FOOD OR DRINK is permitted in the studio UNLESS:
 - Dancer has an extended class schedule – in which case, all food must be prepackaged, not shared (no birthday treats, communal food)
 - Dancer has a CLEARLY LABELED water bottle stored in her dance bag or student cubby.
 - Food/beverage is medically necessary.

***extended Team rehearsal days – we will cross that bridge...*

Entering the Facility

- We encourage students attending class in ROOMS A & D to use the FRONT DOOR ENTRANCE.
- We encourage students attending class in ROOMS B & C to use the BACK DOOR ENTRANCE.
- Students must use the hand sanitizer located at the front entrance or immediately wash their hands upon entry.
- Students will remove street shoes and place them, along with any other personal belongings in the cubby or basket assigned to their classroom.
- Students will bring their dance shoes/equipment and wait on the social distancing stickers outside their classroom until class begins.

Within the Building

- Lists of COVID-19 symptoms posted in conspicuous places.
- Multiple access points for hand washing are available in both restrooms and the café kitchen.
- Hand-sanitizing stations are located in every studio and at every entry/exit of building.
- PDA will adhere to occupancy guidelines using updated COVID-19 compliant floor plans.
- Floor stickers will guide students waiting for class to stand 6 ft apart.
- If you need dancewear, please see an office staff member for assistance.
- The following rooms/areas are NOT CURRENTLY ACCESSIBLE to any patrons.
 - Vending machine.
 - Drinking fountains will not be accessible HOWEVER, the attached water bottle filling stations will be open for use.
 - Microwave and mini fridge may be used for UNOPEN & UNEATEN food only. No reheating or storing leftovers permitted.

Within the Classroom

- Classroom Setup
 - Students each choose a marked spot on the floor to place water, dance shoes, equipment necessary for class.
 - 6ft Social Distancing grids are clearly marked on all studio floors to help dancers visualize dance space.
 - Class size limits are determined by the studio space the class is in.
 - Students must practice proper social distancing and respect the space of others at all times.
- Classroom Equipment
 - Young dancers will purchase a “prop pack” from PDA when they register, and bring the pack to class with them each week. Props will not be shared.
 - If ballet barres are used, they will be disinfected immediately after use. Hand-sanitizer is available within the classroom if needed.
 - Any additional essential class equipment (hand weights, thera-bands, mats) will either be personally transported, stored, and sanitized by the student, or sanitized by PDA promptly after class.
- Classwork & Learning
 - Standard class warm-ups, technical work, and rehearsals will be modified to limit student contact.
 - Choreography will not include physical contact, partnering, or lifts until further notice.
 - The distance between the student and instructor *may* be less than six feet at any given moment. Due to the nature of the activity and learning goals, contact between the student and instructor may occur, but is *strictly limited* to covered parts of the body and never hands, face, or any bare skin. Contact us with any concerns about this policy.

Between Classes

- Students may not linger or congregate in the building before or after classes.
- Dressing Room Policy
 - The dressing room will be used at staff discretion for instances of high occupancy.
 - Cubbies & seating will be marked for social distancing.
 - Dancers may use this space to wait for their next class, but must respect the personal space of others.
 - ALL POLICIES for face coverings, social distancing, and building restrictions apply in the dressing room!
- For students with multiple classes on the same day
 - Be prepared – the schedule will not be as convenient as before.
 - Students who happen to have back to back classes in the same room, may remain in the studio, but must stay clear of cleaning process.
 - Students who happen to have back to back classes in the other studios, should change shoes if necessary, while on a social distancing sticker outside of the studio and continue to their next studio and wait on a social distancing sticker for that class to begin.
- For students with extended breaks between classes
 - Whenever possible, we ask you wait in your car.
 - If this is not possible, seek out a staff member to help you find a place to wait inside the building.

In Case of Absence

We must assume our student and staff absence rate will be high based on current factors. PDA will use ZOOM for dancers who must self-quarantine AND for staff members if a replacement instructor is not available.

ZOOM Classes

ZOOM classes will NOT be prorated, discounted, or refunded.

- Student Absence
 - A *selection* of our in-studio classes will be Zoomed & recorded every week to use as make-up classes. (ex. If there are 6 PreDance classes each week, we will pre-select ONE of those classes to Zoom)
 - If a student is unable to attend class, s/he may join the corresponding Zoom class Live, or take class from the recording.
 - Only dancers enrolled in in-studio classes will have access to these live Zoom/recorded links.
- Teacher Absence
 - Zoom will be used in such cases that a suitable substitute cannot be found for the regular in-studio class.
 - Students will be contacted prior to class with any instructions.

LIVE Online Drop-In Class Pass

This is a new program intended for 100% at-home course work. Drop-in classes are not intended as a substitute or makeup for missed in-studio classes. For more information on the Unlimited LIVE Online Drop-In Class Pass, see the website.

*** PDA reserves the right to change or adjust this plan as needed ***