

COVID-19 Guidelines for Students

We are serious about getting back to work. We need it. Our community needs it. We need each other.

That being said, safety and health is a priority. We must adapt to the new world we are living in. Thus, the following changes, new policies and procedures are in place to make our return a successful one.

Welcome back!

I. COVID-19 Prevention Policies:

In coordination with State and City ordinances, these rules will be in place until further notice:

- **Masks Required for entry.** Per state law and our building's policy, you **MUST** be wearing a face covering or mask to enter the space. Face coverings must be worn (covering the nose and mouth) at all times. If breathing is impaired due to the mask while performing a physical activity, then you may remove the mask to provide aeration provided at least 8 feet of social distance is observed, the physical activity has ceased and consent from those around you is provided. However, they **MUST** always be on, otherwise.
- **Temperature checks** (no touch) will be administered to gain entry.
- **No Walk Ons.** Until further notice, all customers will have to make an appointment to attend class. To control traffic flow, walk-on students will not be permitted. This includes parents and all those accompanying a patron.
- **PPE available on site.** While customers are required to bring their own face coverings, we can provide them in case a face covering breaks or is otherwise ineffective.
- **Pre-Screening:** All patrons are required to complete a [pre-screening questionnaire](#) prior to every visit. It is simple and only 5 questions. This is mandated by the state of NY to be completed by anyone entering the premises. Information will be taken for contact tracing purposes as well.
- **Occupancy:** Occupancy must allow a minimum distance of 8 feet between persons while taking class. Current regulations require occupancy not to exceed 25% or normal capacity. Currently, our permitted allowance is as follows (Subject to further restrictions according to use):
 - **Studio A:** 8 persons
 - **Studio B:** 8 persons
 - **Studio C:** 6 persons (as waiting room, only) – minimum 6 feet of distance required.
 - **Studio D:** 5 persons (as waiting room, only) – minimum 6 feet of distance required.
 - **Dressing Rooms:** 4 Persons (per room) – minimum 6 feet of distance required.
- **Expanded Waiting Area.** Studio C and D are now waiting areas for students. This, in addition to the common spaces, provides more than enough room to hold two full classes while maintaining social distancing standards of 6 feet.
- **New Egress/Traffic Flow (See Page 3).** During times when Studio C and D are allocated as common area space, people will enter studio A or B through one door and exit through the other. These doors will be marked accordingly. This will prevent crowding and close contact. Additionally, rooms will be marked off to provide safe distancing measures. See diagram below.
- **Social Distancing Measures.** Teachers should keep a minimum distance of 12 feet around themselves and the next person when projecting their voice. Studios will be marked to provide a perimeter for teacher's to comfortably navigate and project. Students will also have spacing markers set down in order to maintain safe social distance of 8 feet (while in class).
- **Teacher Discretion.** Teachers have the right to enforce mask wearing, social distancing and other prevention methods.
- **Transition time.** A minimum of 15-20 (dependent on use) minutes has been added to properly sanitize and ventilate the rooms between use.
- **Avoid direct contact.** This includes handshakes, kisses to the face, high fives and any interaction that could minimize space between persons. Avoid touching surfaces with your bare skin.

- **Stay inside hallway markers.** The common areas are marked to allow spacing for those waiting to enter a studio. Please observe them while waiting or let people quickly pass as needed.
- **Fresh Air Ventilation System.** Our HVAC system brings in fresh air to the studio at all times (while also keeping us cool). They are fitted with MERV 13 filters – currently recommended for the prevention of COVID-19. Open windows and fans pushing potential viral loads into the ventilation system are also implemented.
- **Barres:** These will be sanitized and disinfected before and after use. Disinfectant wipes are available to clean as much as needed. No other equipment will be available until further notice.
- **Stay positive – stay informed.** Vetted information will be available on site to ease concerns and raise awareness.

II. Additional Safety Protocols

- **Cleaning Procedures:** We have purchased hospital grade cleaning supplies. Our staff conducts rounds throughout the day to clean doorknobs, barres, restrooms, table surfaces, and other common areas with disinfectant and cleaning wipes. Cleaner/disinfectant is also available upon request. Cleanings are done between use and several times an hour, during and between classes or as needed. All cleanings are logged per our NY Move Forward Plan.
- **Logging Entry of Patrons** for contact tracing purposes.
- **Restricting entry to appointments only** to reduce risk and crowding. This is for ALL persons entering the premises.
- **Hand sanitizer** (over 70% isopropyl alcohol) is available on the ground level and throughout the premises. Washing your hands for 20 seconds is the best method of prevention.
- **Daily briefings** are given to staff to update them on methods of preventions as well as the virus itself.
- **Staircase Access** is available for entry and exit. This is to avoid crowding into elevators.
- Our desk staff will be wearing gloves and face coverings.
- **Allowance of daylight** throughout the space – UV rays are effective against the virus.
- **Student Agreements.** These are required of every student entering the premises to ensure compliance with safety measures and to acknowledge you are assuming your own risk.

III. Studio Upgrades & New Initiatives

We are making an investment in our space to ensure our success and the absolute best experience for you and our students. It will be a NEW PMT.

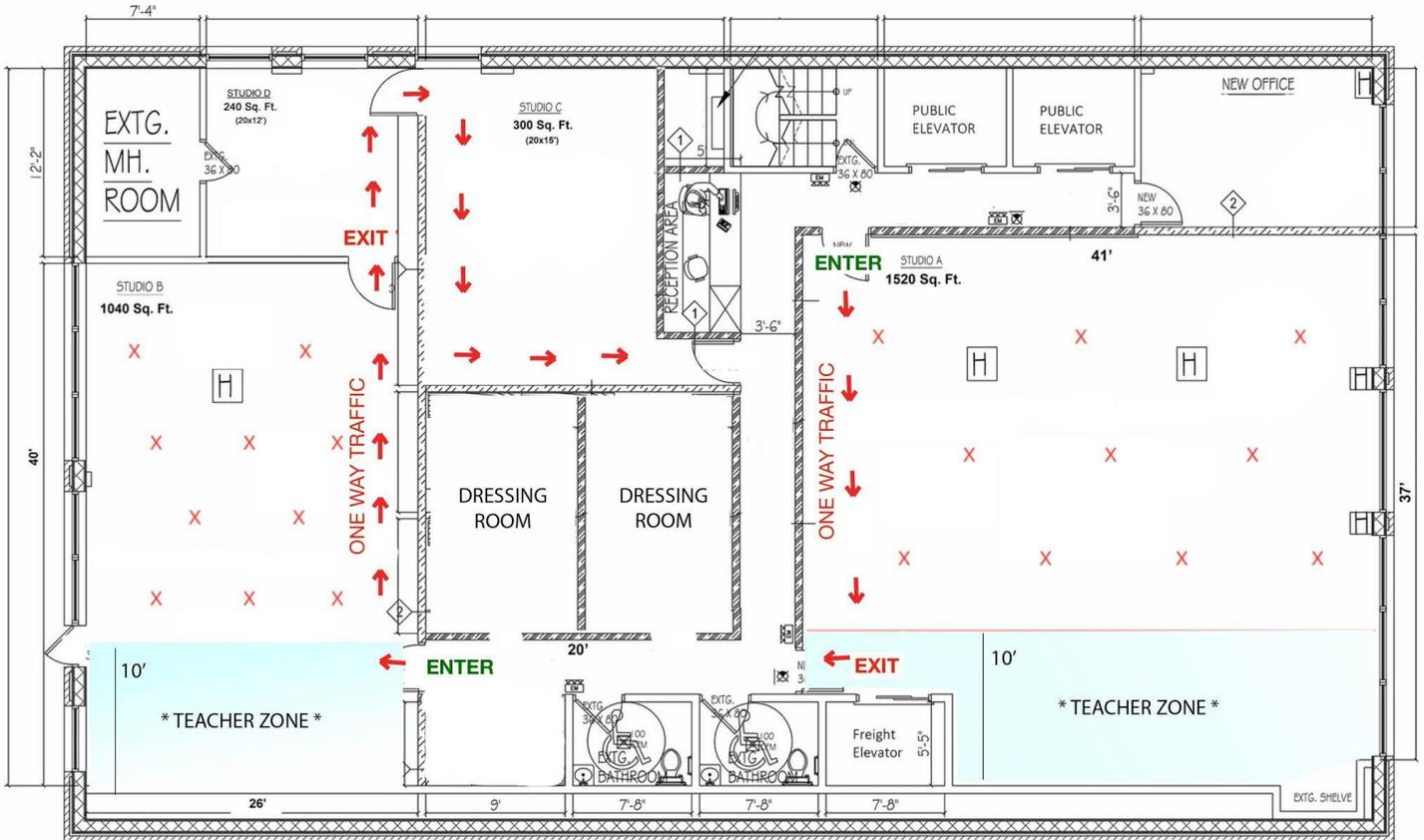
- **Live Streaming.** Each studio will be fitted with large flat screen TVs, microphones, video cameras for live streaming, Zoom accounts and equipment to connect it all. Students will be able to take online classes and/or in person classes.
- **Improved lighting.** We are adding dimmers and colored lights to each studio. Due to COVID, this work may extend to the end of July.
- **More mirrors.** This is to allow better spacing between students and expand the usable size of the rooms.
- **Upgraded our Media Department.** We now have the capability to edit and create well produced reels, videos and other media in house.

Our staff has been trained to attend to your needs in this moment. Please ask us if you need any assistance, additional cleaning of areas or something else to make you feel safe.

Please be sure to create a safe environment. We want to keep our staff (and each other) safe. Help us do that and we can remain open!

New Traffic Flow Floor Plan

NOTE: This diagram only shows the maximum allowance. The permitted allowance, stated above, is dependent on current NY regulations and our premises' total occupancy. We shall adhere to the permitted allowance. Stay posted for any updates.



This floor plan represents **maximum** capacity if operating at 33%. Currently, in light of current safety recommendations, we are operating under 25% capacity as detailed above. The above capacity limits must be observed. The 'teacher' indicates the person who is leading or projecting their voice. At least 8 feet of distance between dancers must be observed with 12' feet of distance observed between teacher and students.

Please be sure to create a safe environment. If any of the above is not being observed, we reserve the right to expel those who are in non-compliance or stop activities all together for the safety of EVERYONE at the SOLE COST of the Patron. Please observe the above so patrons can feel safe.

Thank you!