

Covid - 19 Addendum to Ballet Petit's Usual Policies and Procedures (as of 4/2021)

At the time this is being written, these are the current additional policies and procedures that need to be followed. As time goes on, there will likely be adjustments, additions, deletions, etc., as local Health Department guidelines and other events occur.

At this time, we strongly anticipate opening for on-site classes in the near future. We will offer Monday and Thursday classes on-site when Alameda County moves into the YELLOW TIER. IF Governor Newsom opens California on June 15, Summer Session classes will ALL be offered on site. We will continue offering classes on Zoom through the Summer, as long as participants for Zoom are enrolled in particular classes.

Now that significant progress has finally had an impact on our ability to start transitioning back to “normal”, we still must be mindful, vigilant, etc. to not backslide. We understand that many are very tired of Covid restrictions, but until we are all the way through this, we must stick together and follow CDC Guidelines, etc. We are still learning about Covid-19 and will need to make adjustments as we go along. Everyone needs to cooperate. By entering Ballet Petit, you are agreeing to follow our protocols, etc.

When classes resume on-site, how dancers and their families come and go at Ballet Petit will be changed to reduce community spread, allow for social distancing, provide safety for our dancers and families. Everyone is expected to comply with all procedures. Dancers and others not complying will be warned, educated, and then removed from our program if those measures do not demonstrate compliance moving forward. We understand there is still a lot we don't know, and opinions vary. However, in our common space at Ballet Petit, the only way we can be open on site is with 100% compliance to the current guidelines. It has been long and tragic year. Opening on-site is an important step that we will take with care and caution.

Anyone who appears to be experiencing Covid-19 symptoms is to stay home. Everyone who enters our space at Ballet Petit must be free of Covid-19 symptoms. If a dancer becomes ill while at Ballet Petit, the dancer will be isolated and the parent will be called. Parents must come immediately to pick up their ill child, or send a representative to do so.

Everyone entering the building must wear a mask over their nose and mouth for the entire time inside. Only necessary/ essential people should enter Ballet Petit during these restrictive times. For now, parents will not be permitted to observe classes until all Covid restrictions are lifted, such as social distancing, etc..

Staff will take the temperature of dancers as they enter the studios for classes. Dancers will wait, socially distanced, in the designated spaces outside of the studios.

Dancers will arrive already dressed for classes. Dressing Rooms need to be closed during this time. Rest rooms need to be used for toilet needs, not dressing.

Dancers are encouraged to bring their own filled water bottles. The water fountains have been disabled, per County guidelines. They will be turned back on at a later date.

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Dancers must wear masks covering their nose and mouth at all times while in class and in the building. Staff will always wear masks on site. Some usually closed doors may be opened during classes for ventilation and hands free use, but do not indicate that people may enter or exit through them. Ballet Petit now has REME HALO LED Surface and Air Purifiers installed in all HV/AC units throughout the building to help keep our air safe and clean.

Parents may enter 5 minutes before and at the end of classes for drop off and pick up.

Dancers must be dropped off and picked up within 10 minutes of class times. While waiting, dancers need to be socially distanced in the Gallery area outside of Studio A. Dancers may not wander throughout the studio.

Classes will generally be in Studios A and B, so no one should pass that area, unless for an emergency evacuation, etc.

Dancers under the age of 10 will still need to be signed in and out. Pens will be sanitized after use. Parents are to use their own pens, or a CLEAN pen, then dropping it into the DIRTY pen container.

Staff has been provided time between classes to sanitize barres, door handles, restrooms, etc. Dancers need to follow instructions and traffic patterns in and out of studio spaces to minimize contact with others. Dancers must wait for instructions from their teacher to enter studios. The gap time between classes is reserved for Covid disinfecting, etc. Please allow teachers to attend to these duties as scheduled.

Each ballet studio has had the floor and barres marked off for social distancing in classes. In Studios B, C, and D, additional portables have been provided for smaller / younger dancers. Dancers will utilize these spacing protocols to maintain safe spaces between them and staff during all classes. Ballet classes will be modified to exclude close contact and certain movements that would increase exposure.

Additional Covid protocols, adjustments, etc. may be emailed to families via the BP Parent Email List. You are required to stay informed.

Sign Here to Acknowledge Receipt and Agreement with Ballet Petit Covid Protocols:

Signed : _____ ***Dated*** _____