**COVID-19 POLICIES**

Hudson River Performing Arts Center is very excited to reopen our studio doors. We have been working diligently to ensure safety for our students and staff in our studio space**. It is important that you review these guidelines with your dancers and continue to monitor your email and Facebook for necessary updates and reminders.**

***Arrival Procedure:***

Everyone entering the buildings **must** wear a mask throughout the entire building. The mask must cover your nose and mouth.

Please park by the doctor’s office, in the front of the building, and enter the front entrance. We will follow a one-way traffic flow through the upstairs building. You will exit through the side door, next to the hair salon, and proceed to the downstairs garage studio if needed.

**All students must check-in to the upstairs studio before entering a class.**

The students in the classes listed below MUST be accompanied to the upstairs office for check-in by an adult and picked up by an adult. Please follow the same one-way traffic in the upstairs building and wait outside the garage studio for your child if they are in the downstairs studio**. Parents are not permitted to enter the garage studio**. All upper level class students can check-in to the office by themselves. **The students in the following classes need an adult for check-in and pick up:** Ballet D Intro to Broadway Preteen/teen Street Jazz/Hip Hop Lyrical B Ballet C Jazz C Elementary Street Jazz/Hip Hop Lyrical A Ballet B Jazz B Tap C/D Tutu and Tumble Ballet A Jazz/Tap A Tap B Tapping Toes Petite Ballet Combo

It is assumed that if you are carpooling the adult driving has the right and your permission to fill out a questionnaire for your child on your behalf.

**All students will have their temperature checked and answer a COVID questionnaire**. If their temperature is above 99.4 degrees, they will not be admitted to class and must leave the studio immediately.

**Students will have their hand stamped noting that they checked in at the office**. Students without a stamp will not be admitted to class.

**ONLY students will be allowed to enter our facility. The waiting rooms will be closed until further notice.**

**Those who do not adhere to our COVID policies may not take in person classes.** HRPAC has the right to refuse in person classes to anyone we feel is not appropriately adhering to our guidelines.

***Physical Distancing:***

We ask that students bring only what is necessary for class to avoid the clutter of extra bags, clothes, etc.

Students will place their belongings in their bag, and bags will be placed against the walls in the studio. **The dressing rooms will be closed!**

To avoid congestion in the bathrooms, **please come dressed in your dance clothes**. Remember, our upstairs bathrooms are shared with other businesses.

**Bathroom use is reserved for emergencies**. Please use the bathroom at home if possible.

Dancers should be aware of their surroundings at all times. This is an excellent time to reinforce our spatial awareness. All dancers are to keep their hands to themselves. Those who cannot will not be allowed to take in person classes.

Dancers must follow social distancing during breaks and may not leave the studio for dinner unless accompanied by their parents.

Dancers must listen to all faculty/staff and follow their instructions to ensure the safety of students and staff at all times.

HRPAC faculty/staff will be wearing a face covering any time we are interacting with dancers.

**Dancers are required to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth as soon as they enter a building, during class, and during breaks unless eating or drinking.**

Eating will only be done on designated breaks and as quickly as possible. All students **MUST** sit on a marked spot 6 feet from anyone else. If the student needs to get up for any reason, they must put their face mask on immediately.

**Please send your dancer with extra masks.** Once a mask starts to get wet from sweat, it is less effective. Please have at least 1 mask for each class, unless they have filters to change out.

If a student does not have a mask, or needs a clean/dry mask, the office will provide them with a disposable mask. Your account will be charged $1.00 per disposable mask.

Hands on corrections by a teacher will be limited. Teachers will be giving more direct verbal corrections to ensure safety for all.

***Hygiene Cleaning:***

HRPAC has implemented cleaning procedures that meet the CDC & DOH standards, including but not limited to the daily disinfecting of floors and routine cleaning of bathrooms and frequently touched surfaces (door handles, ballet barres, tables/chairs, etc).

HRPAC has set up multiple hand sanitizing stations for faculty, staff and dancers.

Dancers will be required to use hand sanitizer upon arrival to the studio, between classes, before and after using the restroom, as well as before and after eating.

Dancers are encouraged to use the bathroom BEFORE they leave their house. Bathrooms will be reserved for emergency purposes only.

Until further notice, there will be no birthday/holiday celebrations at the studio. Please **DO NOT** send in cupcakes, donuts, etc. There is no food sharing allowed at the studio.

***Screening:***

HRPAC has implemented daily screening protocols for faculty/staff that includes daily temperature check, daily questionnaires, and increased guidance to remain at home if they are feeling sick.

**All students will be required to undergo a daily temperature check** with a contactless thermometer before admittance to the facility. Any dancer with a temperature over 99.4 degrees will not be permitted inside the facility.

**All students must answer a COVID screening questionnaire each day upon arriving at the facility. Any student who does not fill out the questionnaire will not be permitted inside the facility. Please arrive for your class early so that the questionnaire can be filled out and the student is not late for class.**

**The downstairs studio door will be locked.**  Students will be allowed in at the start of class time and dismissed with time for cleaning in between classes. Once the door is locked, you must come upstairs again to get the studio unlocked. DO NOT bang on the door and disrupt the class in session.

**You are required to notify HRPAC immediately if a dancer or an immediate family member of the household has tested positive for or has exhibited symptoms of COVID-19.**

* If a student or any immediate family member of their household becomes symptomatic for COVID-19 and/or tests positive, the student may not return until after the quarantine is complete.
* If the parent/guardian begins to feel ill while their child is at dance another authorized guardian must pick up the student from our facility immediately. The dancer may not return until the quarantine period is over.
* If the student travels to any of the states on the travel ban, they MUST remain out of the facility for the quarantine period.
* If at any time a faculty/staff member or dancer tests positive for COVID-19, we will shut down for a minimum of 48 hours to do an additional deep clean of the facility. Classes will resume online through Zoom until it is safe to reopen the building. Class times and tuition will remain the same on Zoom.
* If your student is sent home from school or does not attend school for ANY sickness, they are not permitted at the facility until they are COMPLETELY symptom free for 48 hours. **If your dancer is sick, please keep them home!**
* If the County or State shuts down the studio for any reason, classes will resume on Zoom until we can reopen our doors. Tuition and class times will remain the same.

If a dancer is home, they will be able to sign in for their class through ZOOM. Zoom links to all classes can be found in your students online Akada (Danceworks) account. You must click on the class to access the Zoom information.

This policy is subject to change at any time, and you will be responsible for returning to us a new signed copy.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the studio at 845-896-1888 or hrpac205@gmail.com. Please sign below stating that you and your dancer have read and understand the guidelines and return it to the office by your child’s first day of class.

We ask for your patience and kindness as we put these protocols into place in order to keep our dance family healthy and safe.

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I confirm that I have read and understand all of the guidelines set forth by Hudson River Performing Arts Center’s new COVID-19 policy. I confirm that I have explained these guidelines to my child/dancer, and they understand the need to follow the rules. I understand that if my child/dancer does not follow the guidelines or instructions of the faculty/staff, I will be asked to come pick-up my child/dancer immediately. Students with continued difficulty following the policies will not be permitted to take in person classes.

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