

## **BR COVID-19 In-Studio Fall 2020 Protocols:**

As we carefully continue to offer a combination of both online and in-studio classes at Ballet Rincon for the Fall Semester, here are the policies and procedures we will enforce to support the health and safety of our students and families. We will communicate details with regard to this transition plan, soon. For now, please read the general guidance, below.

**1. Screen Yourself.** Families screen yourselves at the start of each day with the following questions (re-screening and temperature tests for all dancers and BR personnel will also be administered upon arrival at the studio.) **If the answer to any of these questions is YES, do not yet attempt to attend in-studio instruction, and continue monitor your health following CDC guidance for COVID-19.**

Screening process questions for all dancers and BR personnel returning to in-studio instruction:

- Are you now running, or have you run a fever in the last two weeks?
- Do you have a cough or breathing problems, or increased fatigue?
- Do you have muscle, body or headaches?
- Are you experiencing new loss of taste or smell?
- Do you have sore throat, congestion or runny nose?
- Are you experiencing vomiting or diarrhea?

We must have a parent/guardian-signed BR COVID-19 FALL 2020 liability release form on file for all in-studio participants.

**2. Wear Face Masks on the BR premises.** All BR personnel, students and parents must wear face coverings while inside or on studio premises. Face coverings are required for dancers age 5 and over. Face coverings are recommended for dancers age 4 and under.

**For classes with students ages five and under:**

- Adult family representative must be present either in-studio or in lobby.
- Adults must wear face coverings.

**3. Wash your Hands the COVID way.** Everyone must wash their hands following the CDC guidelines (<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/videos.html>) upon entering the studio, before and after each class, or after using the restroom **OR** use the provided hospital-grade hand sanitizer.

**4. All money transactions will be taken care of via online family accounts or in-office charges.** Retail items are available for purchase in the office.

**5. Student Numbers are Limited in the Studio.** Numbers of students for in-studio instruction is limited, and safe distancing practices will be used. Classes will be live-streamed for other members of the class, and students whom wish to attend in-studio classes are rotated in to the studios by invitation. **Students should arrive at the studio no more than 5 minutes before class start time.** BR Staff will use 10-minute the time gap between classes to escort classes off and on the studio premises.

We will allow no more than eight students at the Main studio, six at the Annex studio, and one to two instructors at any one time. Please see detailed class distancing procedures, below. Our class schedule is arranged to minimize overlap of students and to maximize the cycle of fresh air in the studios.

### **In-Studio Class Distancing Procedures:**

Maximum Class Capacity: 8 students at the main, 6 at the annex. 1-2 instructors at time.

- Barre: Students maintain stance at 6-8 feet of distance. Spacing marked with tape.
- Stationary Center Work: Students maintain 8-10 feet of distance.
- Across the Floor (Traveling Center Work): Students maintain 12-16 feet of distance.

(Implementation of increased time between students moving across the floor, in small groups.)

**6. All surfaces will be sanitized and dancers will be expected to use sanitizer before and after classes.** The BR Instructors/Staff will sanitize touched surfaces with germicide/antiseptic on premises before and after class. Studio floors will be sanitized at the end of every studio day. Medical-grade hand sanitizer will be used by all persons upon entering and exiting the studios, and after contacting high touch surfaces.

**7. Full-sized dance bags are not allowed at the studio at this time, only small ones with essentials of what you need.** Dancers place their (small) bags/parcels at their marked-off barre station, and must bring only what is needed for that day's class. Every student must wear street shoes to the studio and leave them in the designated lobby areas. Students should come dressed and groomed for class, keep all street clothing items to a minimum, and place all personal items in their small bag/parcel. On days that you have conditioning, please bring your own mat for class.

**8. Only one person at a time is allowed to use the bathroom.** Our single-occupancy studio bathrooms ensure social distance use. Taped-off waiting lines will be utilized. Water fountain use is prohibited.

**9. There will be no food or drink allowed in the lobby or dance studio area other than a personal water bottle. Water fountain use is prohibited at this time!** There will be no sharing of food or drinks on the Ballet Rincon premises, including outside.

**10. Cell Phones should not be used inside the studio.** After sanitizing your hands, your cell phones should not be used until you have exited the studio. Touching your phone would mean sanitizing each time you touch it to prevent the spread of germs.

**11. Class Viewing will be available via Zoom only.** Parents may drop off students at the Annex door following our Main and Annex-studio-specific protocols and wait off-premises to collect their child via the back door after class. Siblings or other guests will not be allowed at the studios. There will be no seating available in our lobbies, and in-studio parent visitation is not allowed during this Phase. (Class viewing will be available via Zoom.)

**12. Ongoing class-type transfers are available.** Students registered for hybrid in-studio/online instruction may transition to online-only instruction at any time during the semester. Students registered for online-only instruction may transition to hybrid in-studio/online instruction as class size limit availability allows.

**13. All persons on premises are held accountable for full COVID 19 health disclosure to Ballet Rincon.** All BR personnel and families utilizing in-studio instruction must immediately report personal COVID 19 symptoms and/or diagnosis in the event that they happen and immediate quarantine procedures from BR premises will be activated.

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