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COVID-19 Safe DDC Dance Studio Policy

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As we head back to our studio for classes we need to ensure the safety and peace of mind of our dancers, teachers, and dance parents, as well as our wider community.

We have sourced information from [Ausdance NSW](#) and [Health NSW](#) to develop our **Work Health and Safety Guidelines** for DDC Dance Studios.

General Health and Considerations

- No staff or student is to come to the studio if they have any COVID-19 like symptoms. I.e. fever, cough or runny nose.
- Staff or students at the studio experiencing symptoms compatible with COVID-19 will be isolated in an appropriate space with suitable supervision and collected by a parent/carer as soon as possible.
- In the event of a confirmed COVID-19 case, we will go into lockdown and deep cleaning will take place. All families will be notified via email.
- The [Australian Health Protection Principal Committee](#) requires a medical clearance prior to returning to classes.

Sanitation and Hygiene

- All staff have successfully completed the [COVID-19 Infection Control Training](#) from the Department of Health
- Staff will provide regular cleaning and waste management protocols, adhering to the "[Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Principles](#)" outlined by the Dept. of Health.
- We will create a cleaning schedule for hot spots/high touchpoints like barres and door handles and provide hand sanitizer to all students and teachers upon entry and exit.
- The bathroom will have adequate soap available. We will have posters placed on the wall to encourage good hygiene.

Mask Wearing

- All adults entering DDC premises must wear a mask.
- Students over 12 years must wear a mask.

Vaccination

- All teachers and staff are double vaccinated.
- All adults entering our studio are required to be double vaccinated. We look forward to welcoming everyone as soon as we are allowed to

Social Distancing

- We will limit the number of people in our studio at any one time to comply with current state gathering limits. (*Currently 4sqm)
- It is encouraged that parents drop and go.
- Students should not leave the studio until the parent arrives to collect them.
- Social distancing must be maintained at all times.
- All studio spaces must meet social distancing occupancy requirements.
- Only 2 people will be allowed in the bathrooms at any given time.
- We will refrain from partner work, unless with members of the same household, and limit the use of shared equipment such as barres, props, etc.

Contact Tracing

- Everyone is required to sign in using the Service NSW App.
- Please see staff if you require a non-digital method.
- Parents will be notified in the event of a COVID-19 case.
- Where there is a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in our studio environment, we will contact the **National Coronavirus Helpline** (1800 020 080) which operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for further advice.
- All class rolls will be marked at the beginning of each class and checked at the end of class.

Parents

- Parents are encouraged to 'drop and go'. However, we understand you may have valid reasons to wait at the studio. Please observe social distancing and feel free to use hand sanitiser positioned around the waiting area.
- As per our general studio policy, students are not to leave the studio until a parent arrives, so please if you are leaving for the duration of class we ask that you return at least 5min prior to the end of class.
- Students will be required to wash their hands and use hand sanitiser at the studio door. Please help your child if required.
- Tissues will be available for everyone to use, please dispose of immediately after use and wash or sanitise your hands.

Students

Parents are to discuss these points prior to recommencing classes at the studio.

- Students are to wash their hands and use the hand sanitisers (at the studio door) prior to entering.
- Students are not to leave the studio environment until a parent arrives.
- If a student feels unwell during class they should notify their teacher.
- Discuss social distancing.
- Discuss safe coughing and/or sneezing protocols.
- Students are not to share their water bottles.
- Tissues will be available, students should dispose of immediately after use and hands washed or sanitised.