



## **PREPARING FOR REOPENING**

CPAA understands the serious impact Coronavirus (COVID-19) is having on our community. We will continue to monitor the news regarding the virus and follow all CDC guidelines. We also understand the importance of maintaining as much normalcy as possible for our kids. Upon reopening, CPAA will offer both in-person and virtual classes. Parents who are not ready for their kids to resume in-person classes can have their child participate in online classes from home during the same scheduled class time as in-person classes. Please remember, in-person classes will be limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

The dance season will begin on September 8<sup>th</sup>, the day after Labor Day. If you are traveling during the Labor Day holiday, please monitor your child's risk of exposure and consider self-quarantining for 14 days before returning to in-person classes.

## **ARRIVAL & PICK-UP**

### **Before You Leave your home**

Parents are encouraged to self-screen their child at home, prior to coming to the studio each day. Self-screening shall include checking temperature, and checking for symptoms including cough, shortness of breath, gastrointestinal symptoms, abdominal pain, unexplained rash, new loss of taste/smell, muscle aches, or any other symptoms that feel like a cold. Any child with a fever of 99.4°F or above or any other signs of illness should stay home. Students who stay home are encouraged to participate in class remotely.

### **Curbside Drop-off**

Children will be dropped off at curbside and greeted by a CPAA staff member. Parents, caregivers, siblings and or guests arriving/dropping off students will remain in their vehicles.

All outerwear (jackets, hats, pull-over hoodies) must be left in the vehicle.

Children will not be allowed into the building carrying a backpack or school supplies.

Children must remove their street shoes and place them on the shoe rack at the entrance of the studio. **Please do not wear your dance shoes outside. This includes your hip hop shoes. All dance shoes should ONLY be worn in the studio.**

Children will enter the building wearing a mask and their dance clothes. Children will not be allowed to change clothes between classes. Shoes for additional classes should be carried in a personal/mini plastic crate (Dimensions: 9 x 7.88 x 6.13) which will be carried into the dance room, used to hold student's belongings during class, and carried out when the student leaves (**Please label your child's crate with their first and last name and sanitize their crate at home each week following class. Crates can be purchased at Amazon, Target, and Walmart**).

Water bottles may be brought to class if they have a cover and are labeled with the child's first and last name.

All personal items including crates, masks, shoes, and water bottles must be labeled with child's first and last name. **(Please sanitize all items at home each week following class.)**

Children will maintain proper social distance as they enter in the studio.

They will be greeted by their instructor upon entry.

## **Pick-Up from Class**

Students will be escorted outside for curbside pick-up. It is imperative that each student is picked up on time to limit contact with the next class, and for our staff to remain free to clean the studio. If a student's ride is going to be late due to unavoidable circumstances, the office must be notified as soon as possible. The student will remain in a designated indoor area (breakroom) away from groups. Frequent tardy pick-ups must be avoided.

## **IN-CLASS PROTOCOL**

Hand sanitizer stations are on the walls outside of each dance space. Children will be required/instructed to use hand sanitizer before entering their dance space.

Once in the space, children will be instructed to place their crate in a designated area inside the classroom

All personal items will be kept inside the crate during class when not in use

Children will put their dance shoes on upon entering their classroom

Children will refrain from any physical contact and maintain six feet social distance during class

Floors will be marked with signage to indicate proper social distance

Children will be permitted to remove masks while dancing, maintaining six feet social distancing

All staff will wear a mask while helping students put their shoes on and during individual instruction.

The studio cannot exceed the child to staff ratios permitted by the state. If space permits, we will add additional classes as needed.

Children will be allowed to go to the bathroom one at a time. CPAA staff will be available to assist when needed. Please encourage your child to wash their hands after each bathroom use. Hand Sanitizer must be used prior to re-entering the dance space.

## **If a Student Becomes Sick**

If a student begins exhibiting symptoms after they arrive to class, they will be removed from the classroom and will wait in a designated area (breakroom) away from groups. Our office staff will contact parents to pick up their child immediately. Our office staff will notify classmates' parents by email of possible exposure, and any confirmed case of COVID-19. Parents must always keep their contact information up to date in our system.

Symptomatic children and staff will be required to take a 14-day leave of absence, and a doctor's note will be required to return to in-person dance classes. CPAA will notify all studio families and local health officials about large increases in child and staff absences or substantial increases in respiratory illnesses (like the common cold or the "flu," which have symptoms similar to symptoms of COVID-19).

## **CLEANING PROTOCOL**

All dance rooms will be cleaned and sanitized after each class.

Bathrooms and the lobby will be cleaned and sanitized several times throughout the day.

All areas of the dance studio will be thoroughly cleaned every night after closing.

UV Lights have been used for years to disinfect and kill viruses. They are used in hospitals, wastewater treatment plants and food preparation facilities. UV lamps will be used nightly to disinfect all areas of the studio. These lights will be scheduled for automatic disinfecting after hours when everyone is out of the building.

The studio will be cleaned professionally 2-3 times a week.

## **OUR PLAN**

Our plan is to operate under these guidelines for as long as needed. Please note, all guidelines will be amended as needed. CPAA has planned for multiple possibilities with your children's best interest at the forefront. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Keva Miller at (704) 458-1073 or [kmiller@charlottepaa.com](mailto:kmiller@charlottepaa.com). As always, thank you for being a part of our CPAA family!