

# ELLIE CLEARY DANCE ACADEMY - COVID-19 GUIDELINES

The following guidelines will be evaluated and updated regularly based on the latest HSE and Government advice. We reserve the right to close the school if it is necessary for the health and safety of our staff and students.

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## **STUDENTS**

- Students must come dressed and ready for class.
- Students cannot change clothing anywhere within the studio or centre.
- Students should bring the absolute minimum inside the studio.
- Students should bring ballet shoes in a clear plastic bag, clearly labelled with their name. Any water bottles must also be labelled.
- No character shoes or skirts will be needed in class.
- No pointe shoes will be needed in class.
- Students may not bring food into or eat in the building.
- Students must wear the ballet uniform only. NO SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS WILL BE ALLOWED IN TO CLASS.

## **ARRIVAL PROCEDURES**

- Please arrive at your class start time to check-in. Punctuality is crucial in order to properly abide by our new safety procedures.
- Dancers will enter the building one at a time and parents/guardians dropping off students will not be allowed enter the studio.
- Please ensure students use the bathroom before coming to class.
- Staff and students will be asked to use hand sanitizer, which will be made available, upon entering the building.
- CLONTARF ENTRANCE: Please queue at the side entrance to the hall to the left of the building. Follow signs and ground markings to ensure social distancing while waiting to drop off students for class.
- **SUTTON ENTRANCE**: Please queue along the left wall outside the main door. Please ensure social distancing while waiting to drop off students for class.

### **CLASS PROCEDURES**

- All teachers and assistants will be wearing masks and visors.
- We will be working with pods and each student will be assigned a pod and number at the commencement of the term, they will also stay in the same place for the duration of the term. They will not be permitted to change pods.
- All pods and numbers will be socially distanced in line with HSE guidelines.
- Bathrooms will be cleaned before and between each class.
- Sanitiser will be available to be used upon entering and exciting the studio.
- Main doors will be opened between classes to ensure plenty of ventilation during the day.
- Attendance will be recorded for every class.
- Masks can be worn at the discretion of the student. This may change alongside any new advice or regulations we receive from the HSE.

#### **EXIT PROCEDURES**

- Please collect students at the assign drop off points. These will be made clear on arrival for the first day.
- Follow the signs and please socially distance while waiting. (2 meters required)
- Each student will be released one at a time from the building.
- Students must be collected at the correct time. We are very restricted with class turn-around times so we ask for your cooperation on this.

#### **ILLNESS PROCEDURES**

- Please do not come to the studio if you have a cough, fever or are sick.
- Please do not come to the studio if you or someone you have been exposed to has tested positive, or had Covid-like symptoms for the past 14 days.
- Please do not come to the studio for 14 days. If you have travelled to an area with high amounts of Covid-19 cases.

Thank You!

Eleanor.