

# COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

One of ORCBA's goals is to promote the health, safety and welfare of students, staff and families. With COVID-19, we strive to keep the risks as low as possible and reduce the spread of this disease.

To help keep everyone safe, ORCBA is changing certain policies and procedures based on CDC guidelines, American Academy of Pediatrics' recommendations, and information provided by local health care providers and the health department.

These policies and procedures are outlined as followed:

- MASKS:
  - o All teachers, staff and dancers must wear a mask while inside the building.
  - o Parents are strongly encouraged to wear a mask to drop off and pick up a child.
- ARRIVAL & CHECK IN
  - o Dancers are asked to wait in the car with their parents until rehearsal time. A parent may bring their child to the lobby for check-in (parents may not wait in the lobby during rehearsals). At the front desk the parent will be asked several questions. Please maintain social distancing when waiting your turn to check in.
  - o Please advise ORCBA if you or a member of your household...
    - Has a fever?
    - Shortness of breath?
    - Cough?
    - Signs of respiratory illness?
  - o Each child will have their temperature taken via forehead. If the temperature is less than 100.4 degrees, the child should proceed to the lobby to wash his or her hands and then proceed to the classroom.
  - o If child has a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher, or shows any sign of respiratory illness, then he or she cannot attend rehearsals for that day and the next day. The child must be fever free for 24 hours without the aid of medication before returning.
  - o Any and all people entering the building for ORCBA rehearsals must follow the same procedures as staff and students: Screening questions will be asked, temperature taken, and hands must be properly washed. Everyone is required to wear a mask.
  - o The ORCBA board member doing health checks at the door has ultimate discretion as to whether a dancer is admitted to rehearsal.
- PICK-UP OF CHILD
  - o After rehearsal is complete the dancers will be escorted to their parents' vehicle. Parents may wait outside the studio, but should maintain 6 feet separation.

- **HANDWASHING**
  - Proper hand washing is one of the best ways to stop the spread of germs.
  - Along with hand washing, hand sanitizer will also be available.
- **WATER BOTTLES**
  - Each child should bring a water bottle with their name on it. Water fountains may not be used during this time.
- **DANCE BAGS & CLOTHING**
  - We are encouraging all dancers to arrive in their dance attire with shorts or a skirt over their leotard and tights, carrying their dance shoes. En pointe dancers may bring their dance bags into the studio. We strongly discourage dancers congregating in the bathrooms or changing areas.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING**
  - We ask all dancers to maintain a distance of at least 6 feet apart.
- **CLEANING**
  - Multi-touch areas, such as door knobs, handrails, light switches, barres, etc. will be sanitized. And Ion-pure machines are in use in the studios and lobby.
- **SICK (unknown illness)**
  - If a student gets sick at rehearsal, he or she will be immediately removed from the classroom and will be isolated in the lobby. The parents will be notified and will have to pick up their child immediately.
  - Procedures for return:
    - Fever free, without the aid of medication for at least 24 hours.
    - No signs of respiratory illness
- **IF STAFF OR DANCER TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19**
  - Anderson County Health Department will be notified.
  - ORCBA will follow the guidance and recommendations of the Anderson County Health Department in how to handle this situation.
- **DIRECT EXPOSURE TO COVID-19**
  - ORCBA should be notified immediately if a household member or other direct contact of a participant is quarantined for COVID-exposure, or isolated for COVID-illness.
  - If any person participating in the production has had direct contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, then the following procedures must be followed:
    - Quarantine for 14 days;
    - AND, have no symptoms (i.e. fever, cough, shortness of breath, etc.) before returning;
    - AND, provide a Doctor's note indicating re-admittance to rehearsals is appropriate.