

August 20, 2021

Dear Ballet Chelsea Families,

In light of the COVID-19 Delta variant currently spreading throughout southeast Michigan, and recent CDC and WCHD guidance, Ballet Chelsea hereby rescinds its "COVID-19 July 12, 2021 Studio Policy Update," and adopts the following policies as of August 17, 2021.

1. Ballet Chelsea will return to the staff and student screening policies, including temperature checks and record-keeping, contained in the "Health and Safety Staff Policy Agreement" and the "Health and Safety Student Policy Agreement" adopted on February 23, 2021.
2. Ballet Chelsea likewise will return to the universal masking policies contained in the "Health and Safety Staff Policy Agreement" and the "Health and Safety Student Policy Agreement" adopted on February 23, 2021. Masks shall meet the standards in the attached MDHHS guidance.
3. Only students, staff, and board members where necessary, may enter the studio, except in the case of ADP students and students under the age of 5 in which case a parent or caregiver may accompany the student; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that such parent or caregiver must participate in the same screening and masking protocols as apply to students and staff.
4. In lieu of the 6 feet and 10 feet social distancing rules contained in the "Health and Safety Staff Policy Agreement" and the "Health and Safety Student Policy Agreement" adopted on February 23, 2021, and the directives about staggering the start times of classes contained in those Agreements, Ballet Chelsea adopts the attached calculations for maximum class and lobby densities, which calculations are based on the Khan/Bush/Bazant "Covid-19 Safety Guideline," see <https://indoor-covid-safety.herokuapp.com>.
5. Previous policies regarding persons diagnosed with COVID-19 remain the same: any diagnosed person must notify the Artistic Director and/or Director of Business Management immediately. The diagnosed person will not be permitted to reenter the Studio until s/he tests negative for the virus and otherwise is cleared by her or his physician. Ballet Chelsea may require confirmation in writing of both the negative test and the physician clearance.
6. If a student, staff or board member, or parent/caregiver entering the studio pursuant to Paragraph 3. Above has been in close contact with a person infected with COVID-19 in the 10-day period prior to entry ("close contact" as defined in the Feb. 23, 2021 Staff and Student Policy Agreements), the following protocols will apply:
 - a. If a vaccinated person has a close contact event, and does not have COVID-19 symptoms, that person may not reenter the Studio until they are able to present a negative COVID-19 test result, based on a test given 4 or more days after their "close contact" event.

(For example, if the infected person is a member of the same household as a student/staff-board member/parent-caregiver, and the infected person is quarantined, the exposed person's negative test must occur no fewer than 4 days after quarantine began. If the infected person in the same household is not quarantined, the test must occur no fewer than 4 days after the infected person tested negative.)

- b. If the person in close contact is unvaccinated, or fully vaccinated but shows COVID-19 symptoms, Ballet Chelsea's policy remains the same: that person may not reenter the studio until after quarantining for at least 10 days after the last close contact and has a negative Covid-19 test.
7. As stated earlier, all Ballet Chelsea policies contained in the "Health and Safety Staff Policy Agreement" and the "Health and Safety Student Policy Agreement" adopted on February 23, 2021, remain in effect except where they are inconsistent with the statements above.

Ballet Chelsea Board of Directors