

Virtual (Zoom) Classes

We will continue to offer each class via Zoom for those who are more comfortable with the virtual environment than in-person classes. Virtual classes will be at the same time as in-person classes.

EVERYONE participating in classes at BT-SLO is REQUIRED to follow the policies below

A. Registration

To take class in person at our studio, ***all dancers must be registered*** for the class through The Studio Director.

B. Drop-In Classes

Drop-in classes must be virtual through Zoom. We are not permitted to have in-person drop-in students because of COVID restrictions. More information about taking a virtual drop-in class is at our website: www.bt-slo.org/classes-schedule-more

C. Masks

Masks are required *at all times* when in the building and when using the bathrooms.

- Masks must be worn properly, covering the nose and mouth.
- Dancers may briefly remove mask for water and for a few breaths of fresh air during class as long as they are distant from others in the class
- Not permitted: masks with valves, bandanas as masks.

D. Social Distancing

We are permitted to be open with a reduced number of dancers in order to maintain social distancing. We can accommodate up to nine (9) dancers in our studio space. Classes with greater than nine students will require a mixture of in-person and Zoom participation.

E. Health & Safety Protocols

Health Self-Check

Dancers, guardians, and teachers are required to *stay at home if they are feeling sick or under the weather*; have a fever, shortness of breath, or cough; or have been around anyone testing positive for COVID-19.

Temperature Check

Upon entering the lobby, each dancer will have their temperature checked by a BT-SLO staff member using a non-contact thermometer. Dancers who have a fever, temperature above 100.4°F, will be asked to return home.

Cleaning & Disinfecting

- Barres and equipment will be disinfected after each class.
- More extensive cleaning will be done during “closed” hours.

Hand Sanitizer

- Hand sanitizer stations will be located in the lobby area and the dance studio.
- Everyone must use the hand sanitizer upon entering the building.

Entry/Exit of the Dance Studio & Building

- Dancers will ENTER THE STUDIO through the door down the side hallway near the cubbies.
- Dancers will EXIT THE STUDIO using the door that opens to the lobby.
- Dancers should not arrive earlier than **5 minutes** before the start of a class. If you arrive earlier, please remain in your car.
- Dancers should arrive **fully dressed with hair done** and ready for class. The bathrooms are not places to do hair or to change.
- Parents/guardians should be in the parking lot **5 minutes** prior to the pick-up time of their young dancers. It is important not to be late.
- Class times have been altered to allow one class to exit before the next class enters the dance studio.
- Breaks have been scheduled in between classes so that disinfecting surfaces can be done along with adequate ventilation.
- It is important not to enter the building too early or linger in the building upon exit. Parents/guardians are asked to stay in their cars or outside while waiting for their dancers.
- Dancers will be invited into the studio for their class once the previous class has exited and cleaning is completed.

Bathrooms, Cubbies, Dance Bags

- The bathrooms will be limited to no more than 2 people at a time.
- Everyone must wash his or her hands with soap before exiting the bathroom.
- Cubbies will not be available for use.
- Dancers need to keep their things with them in the dance studio and limit their personal items to a *small* bag. Please, no large dance bags in the studio.

Water

- Dancers must bring their own water bottle. Please, no glass containers at BT-SLO.
- There will be no bottled water, or water from our water cooler, available at BT-SLO.

Food & Snacks

- Dancers are not permitted to bring food or snacks into the building.

Studio Dancing Rules

- Parents/guardians/siblings/other family members of dancers are asked not to come into the building. The lobby can be seen through the front windows for pickup of your dancer.
- Dancers must wear their masks at all times when in the building and when using the bathrooms.
- Dancers will be assigned a space at the barre to maintain physical distancing.
- Dancers will need to be mature in following teacher and BT-SLO staff instructions to help maintain physical distancing.
- All parents/guardians should go over good physical distancing, hand washing, and mask wearing practices with their dancer(s) to insure their dancer understands their importance.

Payments

- All payments for classes must be done online through The Studio Director, PayPal, or Venmo. More information is on our website, Classes page.
- No payments for classes can be accepted at the Front Desk.

Lost & Found

- We are required to remove our Lost and Found container.
- Items left at the studio following class will be *discarded*. Please do not leave anything behind.

Lobby Seating, Class Viewing

- We must remove all indoor seating in our lobby and viewing areas to maintain social distancing and have a safe indoor space.
- Parents/siblings/other family members will not be able to view dance classes.

Windows, Doors, and Ventilation

- Front windows and the back roll-up door will be OPEN during classes to promote ventilation and airflow.
- The lobby front door will be OPEN as much as safety temperature concerns allow.