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ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

## Return protocol

1. Please come dressed for class. You may bring a dance bag but keep it with you at all times, once in the studio dance bags will be placed in the front of the room. The dressing rooms will be used for bathrooms or emergencies **ONLY**.
2. Please wear a face mask in all common areas. Should you not be able to wear a face mask during activity in the studio please take it off for class but keep in with you in case of an emergency or for entering common spaces.
3. We will use a one way traffic flow, entering through the Auer Center's front doors and exiting through the Arts Lab front doors. When entering please use the front stairwell for your entrance to the classrooms and the back stairwell for your exit from the building. This will be marked for you. If your dancer has class in Studio E please enter as you normally would going straight to the studio, and exit through the Arts Lab doors.
4. Hand sanitizer will be available upon entering and exiting the studios; the teacher will dispense it to the students.
5. Barres will be wiped down with disinfectant wipes between each class by the teachers. Teachers will be the only ones touching the doorway for entering and exiting for the students (except in an emergency). Our studios and common spaces will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized each evening.
6. Barre spaces and center spaces will be marked off in the studios per social distancing guidelines.
7. Individuals providing participant pick-up and drop off are encouraged to wait in their car or outdoors in the expanded seating whenever possible. For individuals who need to wait near the studios for children there will be limited seating in the atrium, in the Skybox if your dancer's class is in Studio D, and in the Auer Center Conference Room if your dancer's class is in Studio E. Individuals who must wait in these spaces should refrain from bringing others with them whenever possible and should refrain from congregating with people who are not part of their immediate family or party.
8. We suggest you bring a labeled water bottle or reusable bottle. Public water fountains will still have the bottle filler available but press bars are blocked off.

*If you have any questions please contact Academy Registrar at [registrar@fortwayneballet.org](mailto:registrar@fortwayneballet.org)*