

## **Creative Movement Center response to COVID-19: Statement & Policies for the 2021-2022 dance season**

*The health and safety of our CMC families and staff is our first priority. We will continue implementing a number of safety measures based on guidance from health authorities, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Cuyahoga County Board of Health that include:*

Cleaning & Sanitizing- An increased focus on disinfecting of surface areas and sanitization for all students and staff before and after starting any class, camp or activity. Studio floors and surfaces will be cleaned using a CDC recommended cleaning product. Dancers and staff will be required to sanitize their hands before classes, during class and before exiting class.

Face coverings – All CMC faculty & teachers will wear face coverings. Masks are optional for parents, guardians and students.

Social Distancing- When possible, dancers will have their own designated dance spots in the dance rooms that they will dance on and learn from.

Hands On Teacher Assist and Spotting- Teachers will use their words to communicate proper placement and alignment to dancers rather than hands on assist and spotting when possible. Teachers may need to offer hands on assist and spotting to dancers for safety purposes. **If a parent would like a teacher to refrain from hands on assist, please notify our office before the start of the dance season.**

PARENT/GUARDIAN drop off and pick up-

In an effort to maintain proper social distancing, we recommend that all parents/guardians of dancers over the kindergarten age drop their dancer off at our entrance door and pick up at our exit doors. We recommend that only one parent/guardian of our Kindergarten and younger dancers watch from the back viewing windows at a time in order to limit the number of people in the back area.

Illness Policy- We require that any dancer, staff member or parent who has tested positive for COVID-19 notify our office immediately. If this happens, we will notify our CMC families via email immediately. Per the guidelines of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, the person who tests positive for COVID-19 must quarantine for 10 days; and must be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to the studio. Also, anyone who has come within 6 feet of the COVID positive person for more than 10 minutes, must quarantine for 14 days and be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to CMC.

State or County Shut Downs- If our studio is shut down due to COVID-19 related mandates from our state/county, we will teach all classes using ZOOM. We will continue our dance season using ZOOM and give this as an option to all families. Classes on ZOOM will be taught at the same time as our in- person schedule of classes.

Tuition – If we have to teach our classes virtually at any time during the season, **we will not be able to refund the tuition for the current month.** We can refund any future tuition that has been paid and May tuition in full this season; for any dance family that chooses not to continue the season due to COVID-19 shut downs/ illnesses.

After February 1, 2022 any dancers who have opted out of virtual learning/ stopped paying tuition will not be able to re-join in person classes when we re-open for this season. This policy is in place so that we can be fair to those dancers who are continuing learning virtually. Also, starting in December we will be teaching choreography for our showcase, and need to be sure all of our dancers are confident in their routines.

Showcase 2022- Please visit our Showcase page on our website for our Showcase information for 2022. We plan to hold our recital at the Brecksville Broadview Heights Middle School in a typical recital setting.

Thank you all for your support and love of the studio during this time.

Together as a CMC family; we can get through this and create a safe and happy place for our dancers and families.

Love & Gratitude,

Your CMC faculty