

## **2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR TERMS**

**Adult students and Summer class students - when accepting this section, you will only be accepting the items with an \* at the beginning.**

Enrollment is a 35 week commitment. Tuition may only be discontinued by official withdrawal. The student is responsible for payment for all classes until the date withdrawal notification is received. A non-refundable \$60 Demonstration fee is due with April tuition by April 10th.

There are no tuition adjustments or refunds for missed classes. Students can and should make up classes within 30 days.

If monthly payment is not received by the 10th of the month, there is a late fee of \$10. There will not be any monthly billing statements sent unless your account is overdue.

\*IB accepts cash, checks and credit cards. There is a \$20 check fee for all returned checks.

Registration fee is due at the time of registration and is non-refundable (\$50 for first family member, \$20 additional family members).

\*Each student and parent recognizes the inherent risk of injury associated with the art of dance. As such, parents and students assume the risk of injury associated with dance and agree to hold harmless International Ballet, its owners, instructors, heirs and successors.

\*During class instruction, faculty will appropriately touch and position the student as necessary. This contact greatly improves the student's understanding of proper placement and is intended as a teaching aide. During COVID-19 social distancing will take precedent.

\*I understand that videos or photos of the student may be taken and may be used for marketing purposes.

## **COVID-19 PANDEMIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK**

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our dancers, faculty, staff, and volunteers, and to advance the safety of our broader community. This document provides information that we require you to acknowledge and understand regarding the COVID-19 virus.

The COVID-19 virus is a serious and highly contagious disease. The World Health Organization has classified it as a pandemic. You could contract COVID-19 from a variety of sources. International Ballet wants to ensure that you are aware of the risks of contracting COVID-19 and agree to follow policies and procedures in place to minimize those risks.

The COVID-19 virus has a long incubation period. You, your dance instructors, and other students may have the virus, not show symptoms, and be contagious.

Due to the nature of dance and exercise, the characteristics of the virus, and the characteristics of a dance class, there is an elevated risk of contracting the virus simply by participating in the class. Strenuous dancing and exercising creates heavier breathing which may result in an increased chance of droplet expression, which is one way the disease is spread. Fine particles can linger in the air for several minutes, allowing for the transmission of COVID-19. The risk of transmission is minimized by wearing masks during dancing / exercising and regular hand washing / sanitizing.

I confirm that I have read the notice above and accept that there is an inherent risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus in a dance class. I also acknowledge that I could contract the COVID-19 virus from outside the dance studio, unrelated to my / my child's attendance.

I have read and understand the information stated above and will not hold International Ballet responsible for exposure to COVID-19.

# COVID-19 ESSENTIAL SAFETY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES- Effective August 10, 2020

## Operations at International Ballet

International Ballet operates according to the laws and safety restrictions established for businesses in the category of gyms, dance studios, and similar fitness facilities and has established the following policies and procedures for operations. Policies are subject to change based on new and changing information.

1. Practice of Social Distancing and Self-Isolation: Students and faculty are expected to practice self-isolation and social distancing both inside and outside of studio / class time (6 foot distance between bodies).
2. No Sickness: Parents are expected to monitor their children's health closely and under no circumstances send a child to the studio with a fever or symptoms of COVID-19. Close monitoring includes taking temperature each day before arrival at the studio. If a student is showing signs of sickness, faculty and staff are permitted to ask the student if it is allergies or if they are feeling sick or have been sick which may result in temporary removal from class.
3. Hand sanitizer / Hand washing: Access to these items will be available in all studios and bathrooms. Handwashing / hand sanitizing is encouraged once per hour.
4. Masks: Masks that cover the nose and mouth are required in common areas and in class. Students may bring a mask from home or purchase a 1-ply cotton IB mask for \$10. Our mask policy will be updated periodically based on the current prevailing recommendations. Medical exemptions obtained from a doctor must be submitted and kept on file in the office.
5. Yoga Mats: Mats will not be provided. Students will be required to bring their own yoga mat. Mats are used in Pre Ballet, Ballet 1, Ballet 2A, Ballet 2B, Conditioning and Pilates.
6. Limited capacity: To adhere to social distancing requirements, the following limits are placed on studio capacity: Halsey Studio - 16 students + teacher; Studio 4 - 10 students + teacher; Batesville Studio 1 - 10 students + teacher; Batesville Studio 2 = 8 students + teacher; Batesville Studio 3 = 6 students + teacher
7. Arrival / Departure from Facilities: There is a fifteen-minute gap between level/class start times to prevent crowding/gathering; Students are not allowed to enter the IB facility more than 15 minutes ahead of their level/class start time. (ex: if schedule states that class begins at 3:45 pm, students may not arrive before 3:30 pm); Students must adhere to entering and exiting through the following designated doors:
  - o Halsey - Somerville Center side door (entrance and exit)
  - o Studio 4 - Somerville Center front door (entrance and exit)
  - o Batesville Studio 1 and Studio 2 - as facing building RIGHT front lobby door by Executive Director's office ENTRANCE only; LEFT front lobby door by receptionist office EXIT only
  - o Batesville Studio 3 - ENTER and EXIT from Studio 3 door - direct from outside into studio. Do not enter or exit through the lobby.
8. Water Fountains: No drinking from water fountains. (Water bottle fill-up only.)
9. Limited length of time students are permitted to be in IB facilities: It is imperative that students are picked up on time. When students are left waiting in the lobby, it inhibits our ability to social distance and puts added responsibility on the office staff.
10. Liability Waiver / Risk Assessment: All parents, faculty, staff, and volunteers are required to sign a liability waiver and risk assessment verifying no knowledge of exposure to COVID-19 or symptoms of illness, that they understand the inherent risk of participation and will not hold International Ballet responsible for exposure to COVID-19
11. Studio / Barre Disinfecting: IB faculty will facilitate barre disinfecting procedures at the beginning of every session.
12. No physical contact of any kind allowed: This rule includes physical contact between teachers and students and students with other students. Students who break this rule may be dismissed from participation.
13. IB personnel and students ONLY allowed inside IB facilities: Parents, guardians, siblings and friends must wait outside. Waiting inside the IB lobby is not permitted.
14. Bathrooms: Students are encouraged to use their bathroom at home before arrival to decrease bathroom traffic. Hand washing is mandatory.

## **COVID-19 PANDEMIC HEALTH DISCLOSURE**

The information below seeks information that we must consider when allowing participation in classes during the circumstances of the COVID-19 virus. A weak or compromised immune system can put someone at greater risk for contracting COVID-19. Please disclose to us any condition that compromises the student's immune system and understand that we may advise against participation in dance class based on the condition described. It is also important that you disclose any indication of having been exposed to COVID-19 and whether the student or someone in their household has experienced any signs or symptoms associated with the COVID-19 virus.

### **I will inform International Ballet if any of the questions below can be answered "YES"**

- Does the student or someone in the household have a fever or above normal temperature?
- Has the student or someone in the household experienced shortness of breath or had trouble breathing?
- Does the student or someone in the household have a dry cough?
- Does the student or someone in the household have a runny nose?
- Has the student or someone in the household recently lost or had a reduction in sense of smell?
- Does the student or someone in the household have a sore throat?
- Has the student been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
- Has the student tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
- Has the student been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting results?
- Has the student or someone in the household traveled outside the US by air or by cruise ship in the last 14 days?
- Has the student or someone in the household traveled within the US by air, bus, or train in the last 14 days?

I fully understand and acknowledge the above information, risks, and cautions regarding a compromised immune system and have disclosed any conditions in the student's health history which may result in a compromised immune system. I agree to update International Ballet immediately if any of the provided information changes during the time of study / attendance in dance classes at IB.