



Covid-19 Studio Safety Plan & Protocols

Your health and safety is of the utmost importance while at the studio. It is important that we all work together to ensure everyone's safety and good health. Below are our safety protocols while at the Lindbjerg Academy. These protocols are in accordance with the Fraser Health Authority and WorkSafe BC's restart plan for our sector. Also note that these protocols may change as directed by the Health Authority.

General:

In order to keep everyone safe, if any member of your students' household is experiencing any COVID-19 related symptoms (*fever, dry cough, tiredness, difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, chest pain or pressure, aches and pains, sore throat, diarrhoea, conjunctivitis, headache, loss of taste or smell, a rash on skin, or discolouration of fingers or toes, loss of speech or movement*) we ask that they remain at home and join their classes via Zoom. If your student, someone in their household, or someone they have been in close contact with has a confirmed case of COVID-19, that student will not be allowed to attend in-person classes until they have fully recovered and can present the studio with a negative COVID test result.

We ask that if you have a confirmed case in your household, you notify the studio as soon as possible (if your student has been attending in-studio classes within a 14-day period).

If you travel outside of Canada at any point in the 2020/2021 season (including leading up to the start of classes), you will not be permitted into the studio for 14 days.

In the case of a COVID-19 exposure, the studio will temporarily close and a specialized, professional cleaning team will be brought in to clean and sanitize the studio. All classes will be moved online during that time.



ALL classes will be accessible via zoom. If your child is staying home, please email in an absent report to let the studio know but Zoom links will be provided the first week of classes.

Temperatures will be taken prior to students entering the building. If a student presents with a fever, or any other symptom, the Lindbjerg Academy administrators or teachers reserve the right to send that student home. A short health form will also be required to be submitted prior to entering the building.

Masks will be required throughout the building Including **in class, in washrooms and all common spaces.**

All waiting areas will be closed. Guardians may only drop off and pick up. The exception is for pre-school classes — where guardians may enter the building to situate/pick up their child but may not stay in the building during class.

There are hands-free sanitizing stations outside each studio. Students will be required to sanitize their hands before entering each studio prior to the start of class.

Studio floors, barres and high touch surfaces will be sanitized after each class where dancers hands, bare feet or bodies touch the floor — As well as enhanced cleaning procedures throughout the building.

The student green room and kitchen will be closed. Students that have breaks will either need to be picked up in between classes or will be assigned areas where they can stay socially distant from others. Students will not be able to heat up any food so please bring food in either thermoses or food that does not require heating up.

Sharing water bottles or food will be prohibited. Please make sure your student has their own water bottle for class. The water station has been closed. Please make sure your student has a large enough water bottled (filled) to last them their class or classes.



Entry/Exit:

Upon arrival, each student will be assigned a number. That number will correspond to a circle in the hallway where they will keep their belongings. That number will also correspond to a 2-metre square that they will dance in for the entire class. Please note that **only small essentials** will be allowed in the building (ex a small backpack, water-bottle, shoes).

Each class will begin five (5) minutes after the scheduled instruction time in order to ensure all students can enter the building, change their shoes and enter their assigned studios safely. Classes will end five (5) minutes before the end of scheduled instruction time in order to allow each session of dancers to gather their belongings and exit the studio safely. This will also allow for the necessary cleaning procedures to take place between scheduled class times.

Bathrooms:

There will be one bathroom assigned to each studio. Bathrooms will be cleaned frequently. Masks are to be worn in the bathroom and hand washing will be mandatory.

In Studio:

Each studio has been equipped with 2-metre squares to allow for maximum distancing while in class. Each student will be assigned their own 2-metre square for the entirety of the class. Teachers will also be assigned their own space and will adhere to social distancing rules.

All teachers will wear a mask in the studio and in common spaces.

There will be a “mask off” area for students and staff who may need a quick break from their mask during class.

Walking paths have been clearly marked in each studio for safe entry and exit of the studios during class (if washroom use is necessary) and before and after class.

Ballet barres have been marked to allow safe distancing between students. All Ballet tech and Acro equipment will be sanitized and cleaned between each use.



Musical Theatre Classes:

Due to the number of students in each musical theatre class, we will be dividing each class into multiple pods. Pods will rotate between in-studio rehearsals and zoom rehearsals. There will be a detailed calendar that is released for each class outlining which pod will be in the studio and which will be online. We will still be running class as normal with auditions and rehearsals for a spring production.

Show singing instruction will consist of a combination of outdoor (weather permitting) and zoom rehearsals. There will be no in-studio large group singing for the first term. We will re-evaluate as we move through the season.

Dance Classes:

Class sizes will remain small for the season. If restrictions change and current class sizes are not possible, a pod system will go into effect.

Ballet classes will see more ballet barres so that each student has the ability to distance themselves on the barres. Exercise balls and resistance bands will be cleaned after every use.

Private Vocal Lessons:

Lessons will continue to take place online until the foreseeable future. We will re-evaluate when we know more regarding safe singing in enclosed spaces.

We have been working hard to create a system that we feel is safest for all of our families, students, faculty and administrators. Our teachers have been working extremely hard to create new and innovative ways to engage with their students this coming year and we look forward to having a fantastic 2020/2021 season.

**Best,
The Lindbjerg Team**



Please sign below to confirm you have read and understand all of the above safety protocols and policies being implemented at the Lindbjerg Academy of Performing Arts.

I, the legal guardian, acknowledge that I have read and understand all of the above policies and agree to abide by all COVID-19 safety protocols that are being implemented at the Lindbjerg Academy of Performing Arts under the order of The Fraser Health Authority and WorkSafe BC.

Guardian Name: _____

Students Name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/____