



Jan's School of Dance Frequently Asked Questions Fall 2020

Communication

- Be sure you are getting all studio newsletters, etc. to keep up on things. They will be e-mailed and are always available in written form at the studio in the handout bins on the wall by the door. Add jansschoolofdancemn@gmail.com to your "safe senders" list and check your "junk" box.

COVID Procedures

- Dancers will enter the building through the front door and exit through the rear door (during daylight hours before snow season). Dancers must exit the building through the rear door and walk around the building on the side next to Animal Ark. Parents will wait at rear door (6 feet apart) to meet their dancers. After dark and during snow season, we will use the front door only.
- All dancers must wait outside the building to have their temperature taken and be let into the studio. In poor weather, students will enter the building and wait in the lobby to have their temperature taken. While waiting, students must wear a mask and stand 6 feet apart.
- Parents are not allowed to congregate inside the building during or between classes. If a parent of a toddler or preschooler feels it is necessary to be in the building for their child's class, one parent will be permitted inside - no siblings. We realize this is inconvenient, however it is necessary during this time of COVID. Thank you for understanding.
- After temperatures are taken, students must place street shoes and other belongs in their dance bag before entering the studio room. **Dancers must have a bag to hold their street shoes, mask (if they remove it), hand sanitizer, and labelled water bottle. Nothing except the bag can touch the studio floor.**
- Teachers will let students into the room to place bags along walls 6 feet apart. Dancers must use hand sanitizer after entering the room.
- Dancers must wear masks until they are inside the studio rooms.
- Dancers, while dancing, have the option to wear masks if they want. Teachers and workers are required to wear masks at all times.
- Dancers report to an assigned square 6 feet apart from others (2 rows in small room and up to 4 rows in the big room).
- Hallway doors will be kept propped open (except for preschool classes).
- All dancers must exit through the rear door of the studio rooms. The teacher will lead them out. All dancers must put on their mask before leaving the room and use hand sanitizer.
- No one may hang out in the hallways. Dancers must exit the building promptly after class. Classes are staggered to minimize contact. Practice social distancing (6 feet apart) in the parking lot.
- Studio rooms will be sanitized regularly.

Competition Lines:

- During breaks between classes, dancers must wait inside the classroom for their next class or leave the building if they have a long break. We cannot have students congregating in the halls waiting for a class to begin.

Example: Dancer has jazz class from 4-4:45 and lyrical from 5-5:45. They will wait **inside their classroom for the next class to begin**. If the student has a third class from 7-7:45, they must **leave the building from 5:45-7:00**.

Hairstyles

- All female dancers should tie hair back for all classes.

Water Breaks

- Students must use their own water bottles. No drinking fountain!

Studio Payment Policy

- All dance payments should be mailed to: Jan Tripp, 11775 Lehigh Ave, Hastings, MN 55033.
 - If you don't want to mail your payment, you can leave it at the studio.
 - If paying with cash, please call the desk worker first at 651-438-3690, then come into the office to make the payment and get a receipt.

Shoes, Tights and Other Orders

- All adults entering the studio must wear a mask.
- For the first 2 weeks of classes (September 14-25), purchases of shoes, tights, logo wear, etc. will take place at the **REAR DOOR** of the building. During daylight hours (4:30 - 8:30 M-Th and 4:30 - 6:30 Fri), please line up outside the rear studio door 6 feet apart. Enter the building one at a time (when 1 adult leaves, another may enter). Dancers may leave class for shoe fittings. After dark, call the front desk at 651-438-3690 for instructions.
- After September 25, if you need to enter the building for any reason, please call the front desk at 651-438-3690 to speak with the desk worker about your needs before entering the building through the front door. When you leave the building, exit through the rear door. (After dark and during snow season, we will only use the front door.)
- Thank you for your patience during this COVID time!

Studio Vacations

- **Thanksgiving:** No classes Wed., Nov. 25 through Sat., Nov. 28. Classes resume Mon., Nov. 30th.
- **Christmas:** No classes Mon., December 21 through Sat., January 2. Classes resume Mon., Jan. 4th.
- **Spring Break:** No classes Mon., March 29 through Sat., April 3. Classes resume Mon., April 5th.
- **Last Week of Classes:** Tues. June 1 through Mon. June 7th. **No classes, Monday, May 31st!**

Snow Day Policy

- Classes are cancelled if Hastings Public Schools close early or are not in session due to weather.
- There is no scheduled make-up class unless you class is cancelled more than once.
- Your dancer may choose an equivalent class to make up the snow day.

Halloween

- No in-class Halloween performances this year, however dancers will still learn a Halloween routine.

Holiday (Christmas) Show

- The show is for all non-competition and pre-competition students. Competition students have the option of performing in the Nutcracker. Nutcracker rehearsals are free and take place on 4 weekends between Halloween and the Christmas show. We will be practicing in COVID-safe pods.

Costume Measuring

- We will be measuring for costumes the week of October 1-8 during class periods. Dancers must wear appropriate dance attire for costume measuring (leotards - not shorts and tee shirts).