

SDCYB Covid Safety Procedures – Updated May 2022

Thank you so much for being so helpful when it comes to following our safety protocols – as a community, we have all done a great job of protecting our families against COVID, and we ask you to stay vigilant. Please continue to let us know if your dancer is not feeling well, and do NOT come to class with any COVID-like symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat/runny nose, loss of taste or smell). Please read the updated procedures, and let us know if you have any questions. Our goal is to continue holding classes in our beautiful studios as safely as possible, and with your cooperation, we know we can do it!

- Masks are strongly recommended for students, staff, and parents while in the studios/office. If wearing a mask, please select a comfortable, fitted mask that will not fall off your child's nose. We highly recommend upgrading to a surgical-style mask or an N95 or the equivalent. Students will be given mask breaks during classes (they will be allowed to step outside to get a drink of water and take off their masks for a minute or two as needed).
- If your student tests positive for COVID, regardless of whether or not you think they have exposed a class/classes at SDCYB, please let us know ASAP. They will be asked to not return to class for 10 days, or as few as 6 days if a test taken on day 5 or later after the first positive test comes back negative. They must be symptom-free before returning. They will be able to attend a make-up class for any missed class.
- If a student in your dancer's class(es) informs us of a positive COVID test, the following will take place:
 - All exposed students/faculty will be informed immediately of the exposure.
 - Students in an exposed class will be required to wear a mask for any classes during the remainder of the week. Students who attend just one class a week will not be required to wear a mask, but are encouraged to do so for the class the week after exposure.
 - Siblings of those in the exposed class/classes who attend SDCYB are encouraged but not required to follow the same procedure of wearing a mask during the week following exposure while continuing to closely monitor for symptoms.
 - All students exposed will be encouraged to test on day 5 after exposure, and share these results with SDCYB.
 - Teaching staff may continue to teach classes if fully vaccinated, while continuously watching for symptoms. Testing will be recommended 5 days after exposure. If symptoms develop or a positive test is received, staff must quarantine for 10 days, or as few as 6 days if a test is taken on day 5 or later after the first positive test comes back negative.
- If your student feels ill and you are unsure if they have COVID, please do not bring them to class. They will be asked to stay home for 10 days, must have no COVID-related symptoms, and have been fever-free for 24-hours before returning to class. If you provide SDCYB with a negative COVID test and your student is symptom-free, they may return to classes sooner.
- If your student develops symptoms during class, they will be immediately sent home and be asked to follow the same protocol listed above. Please test your student for COVID to determine if any of their classmates have been exposed.
- All SDCYB classes will be held in-person in our studios – no Zoom classes will be offered at this time. Any missed classes will be eligible for make-up classes. If missed classes occur during the last two weeks of the semester, make-up classes may be extended to the following semester.
- The entire school will be informed when there is a positive case.