

Our studio will be undergoing many procedural changes and complying with the recommended CDC and State of Ohio guidelines for making our studio space safe and clean for our dancers. We are fully prepared and confident we can operate Gotta Dance in a way where we follow all the guidelines. Please read our reopening statement and sign our risk acknowledgment if you choose to return to classes this fall with our safety plans in place.

- No parents will enter the building and all common areas will be closed, until further notice.
- We have sanitizing stations set up in all dance spaces.
- We will not allow for any breaks or time to congregate in the studio.
- All students will have their temperature checked with a no-contact thermometer before entering the building – any student with an elevated temperature will not be permitted inside.
- We will have someone on staff work solely as a health officer, making sure students are sanitizing before and after classes. They will also be wiping down surfaces during the time kids are in the studio and immediately following each class prior to a new class begins.
- All classes are being spread apart with 5-10 minute gaps so studio spaces can be disinfected in between. This will also allow for less traffic moving the students out of classrooms and out to their parent's cars.
- Students will not change classrooms unless disinfected in between. They will only leave the classroom to utilize the restroom.
- We are providing a daily health survey to employees which will include their recorded temperature. We will not allow staff to come to work if they are not feeling well. We will not allow any students in the building if they are not feeling well.
- We will require our teachers to wear masks but will not require they wear them while actively teaching. The teachers will be trained to take all other measures necessary to protect themselves and the dancers. Since dance is a high cardiovascular activity, students may wear a mask while attending class, but we will not require it for safety reasons. Dancers ten and younger are not required to wear a mask, but are free to do so if they wish.
- We will train our full staff on all new policies put into place.
- The studio space will be deep cleaned a few times per week in addition to daily sanitizing all surfaces and studio spaces in use.
- We will continue offering Zoom classes into the fall season, to all dancers uncomfortable with returning or for those who are immune compromised.



Acknowledgement of Risks

I, the undersigned, acknowledge and understand, that as a dancer of Gotta Dance Studios, entering in the studio, having personal contact with my instructor and classmates, associated with taking classes inside the studio building, at this time during a government mandated "social distancing" order due to the COVID-19 outbreak, involves a certain degree of risk. I further acknowledge and understand the following precautions and disclosures being taken at this time by Gotta Dance Studios:

- 1) Health surveys will be distributed to all GDS staff, administrative and teaching staff asking daily questions regarding their current health status and potential exposure prior to their shift.
- 2) Hand sanitizer will be administered by staff to every dancer prior to entering and exiting the building. Every dance room will be set up with disinfecting stations for staff to properly wipe down and sanitize the studio spaces regularly.
- 3) Dance rooms will be marked for students to remain 6 feet apart.
- 4) Gotta Dance Studios cannot guarantee that dancers will stay 6 feet apart at ALL times as when dancers start moving during class due to the nature of the activity, but we will do our very best to maintain social distancing in the classroom.
- 5) Masks are certainly permitted but they will not be required for students to wear as dance is a very strenuous activity. You should make your own decision about whether your dancer will wear a mask in class keeping in mind that wearing a mask may make it difficult to breathe while dancing and may cause your dancer to over-heat. To the greatest extent practicable, staff will wear masks when in a room with others, unless wearing a mask creates a safety or health risk to the staff member.
- 6) Our waiting room will be closed until further notice. Therefore, parents need to drop dancers off and pick up at the doors – you will not be permitted in the studio unless you have permission of a staff member working the door.
- 7) Classes will be dismissed to allow for one group of dancers to exit and allowing time for staff to disinfect the area prior to the next group of classes entering the classroom. The studio will also be deep cleaned after hours throughout the week.
- 8) We have limited breaks for the dancers but if a dancer does have a break in between classes they will not be allowed to remain in the building. They will need to exit and re-enter the building at their next class time.
- 9) Please make sure to send your dancer with a water bottle with a spill proof lid.
- 10) If a dancer or staff member does not feel well, Gotta Dance Studios will have a designated area for the dancer to wait away from other students while waiting for their parent/guardian to pick up.
- 11) In order to protect all our dancers and their families, we need your help. Please do not allow your dancer to come to the studio or attend any GDS event in person, if in the 14 days prior to coming to the studio or any GDS event, your dancer has had any of the following: new cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fever of 100.4°F or higher (actual or subjective, intermittent or constant), chills, new muscle pain or headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, or gastrointestinal symptoms like nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. This does not apply if these symptoms have been affirmatively diagnosed by a healthcare provider as being caused by some non-contagious illness or condition i.e. my child is coughing because she was diagnosed with allergies. In addition, please do not allow your dancer to come to the studio or attend in-person any GDS event if in the last 14 days, your dancer has had prolonged (more than 10 minutes) close contact (within 6 feet) with anyone, including but not limited to a family member, diagnosed with or suspected to have COVID-19. Last, but not least as we are entering the time of the year when families take vacations, please do not allow your dancer to come to the studio or attend in-person any GDS event if in the last 14 days, your dancer has: traveled internationally to a country where there is widespread ongoing transmission of COVID-19; traveled domestically within the US where there is widespread ongoing transmission of COVID-19; or traveled on a cruise ship or river boat. For more information about travel and transmission levels, please visit the CDC's COVID-19 pages related to travel.

Acknowledgement & Agreement

By signing below, I acknowledge and agree that after carefully considering the risks involved, I accept those risks and I acknowledge at this time to returning to in-person classes, is the choice of each family, and is in no way being required by Gotta Dance Studios when classes are available on Zoom.

I also agree to follow the rules set forth in Paragraph 11 above.

Parent: _____

Dancer: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____