

Steffi Nossen In-studio Covid Policies:

Capacity

Steffi Nossen School of Dance will operate at 33% capacity upon reopening with limited class sizes, staggered scheduling and hybrid learning curriculum to ensure safety.

Physical Distancing

Social distancing (6 feet apart) will be required at Steffi Nossen including within all entrance areas, hallways, studios, and the administration office.

- Studio capacity has been reduced to accommodate for social distancing.
- Faculty will structure classes and curriculum so social distancing can be maintained.
- Individual dancer boxes have been taped out on floor with 8x8 ft spacing.
- Class times have been staggered to accommodate for only one group of students entering or exiting the studio at any given time.
- Students will be required to enter the building NO EARLIER than 10 minutes before their class and to exit the studio immediately following their class.
- ALL people entering the MCW will be required to enter the main entrance and will exit through the side door near the parking lot to accommodate social distancing.
- Lobby space will be marked with “Distance Markers” for parents who need to wait for their child while in class. All dancers old enough should be drop off ONLY.
- Each studio has two doors - one door will be used as an entrance one as an exit.
- Personal belongings must be kept in cubbies in one small bag, water bottles ONLY will be brought into the studio.
- Dancers MUST come dressed in class attire – Dressing Room will be closed for gathering and changing.

PPE

Masks will be required at all times inside and outside the studio for faculty, staff and students. Steffi Nossen will provide face masks to anyone who needs one.

Screening

Steffi Nossen will implement the following mandatory screening practices:

- Upon entering the building, temperature will be checked with infrared no touch thermometer. Any person with a temperature above 100.4 degrees will not be allowed in the building.
- Faculty, staff and students must complete a daily questionnaire prior to class.
- Steffi Nossen School of Dance will notify health officials of any confirmed positive cases within the institution and will work with local health departments to trace all contacts.
- Any student, staff, or faculty who tests positive for COVID must self-isolate in their home unless medical attention is needed.
- Should Steffi Nossen need to be scaled back to contain a breakout, the school will take the necessary measures. All classes will shift to online distance learning for the necessary disinfection time.

Cleaning and Disinfection

Steffi Nossen will be adhering to the following cleaning and disinfecting policies:

- Hand sanitizer will be placed throughout the building and in each studio.
- Restrooms will be cleaned and disinfected 2 times per day.
- Restrooms have been adjusted to have only 1 person at a time.
- Each studio and the office will be equipped with disinfectant wipes to regularly clean and sanitize surfaces.
- High touch surfaces in the public areas of the building will be cleaned and sanitized daily.
- Studios will be cleaned in between classes, wiping down ballet barres and highly touched surfaces.
- Studios will be mopped with specialized disinfectant daily.

Ventilation

- The building has upgraded their HVAC filters to the required MERV 13. Filters will be changed often and per the recommended guidance of the CDC.
- Austin Healthmate Air Purifiers have been installed in both studios, dressing room and office to support proper air purification and air flow suggested by the CDC and the health department.
- Whenever possible we will keep windows and doors open to increase the percentage of fresh air within the building.