GUIDELINES, RESPONSE STRATEGIES, Etc

PURPOSE

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is a contagious respiratory illness that has resulted in the death of over 100,000 people in the United States this year. The CDC has been monitoring COVID-19, and published guidance about what is currently known about the COVID-19, and how people can avoid infection.

As health and safety is a priority, the Dance Department has developed this brochure based on CDC and Dance USA guidance to help prevent exposure to COVID-19.

Based upon CDC, DanceUSA, local health officials, and other published guidance, Faculty, Staff and Students can prevent and slow the spread of COVID-19 by following recommended procedures and response strategies. All are asked to diligently follow the most up to date CDC guidance, and to remain vigilant and flexible as that guidance may change, to best decrease the spread of COVID-19 and lower its impact in our area.

GUIDELINES AND RESPONSE STRATEGIES

Any Faculty, Staff, or Student may be an asymptomatic carrier of COVID-19 who can spread the virus without showing symptoms. As a result, we ask everyone to conduct her or himself as if that is the case.

These guidelines and response strategies are provided to minimize the risk of infection and to decrease the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

It is critical that everyone remains vigilant, and follows these guidelines and strategies, as well as those published by the CDC and local health officials as they may change, and takes responsibility for following such guidelines seriously.

Stay Home If You Are Sick - Those who feel ill must stay home, avoid others, and seek medical care early if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. They must also notify the Dance Department Office immediately if she or he is sent or goes home due to illness, or calls in sick.

SCREENING AND ENTRY PROCEDURES

Daily Screening and Facility Entry Procedures

Each Day Upon Arrival to HPAC or Simsbury Location:
GUIDELINES, RESPONSE STRATEGIES, Etc

The daily self-monitoring of your health is a key part of our efforts to keep you and our community safe. All employees, students, and visitors will be required to complete a COVID-19 screening survey on our LiveSafe app before arriving for the day.

Please visit our website to learn how to download the LiveSafe app, if you have not done so already. If you do not have a smartphone, there is an online version that can be accessed on a computer. You may want to print the results for verification. Please contact dancedesk@hartford.edu if you do not have access to technology and need to fill out a paper survey.

The screening survey consists of a few questions, such as whether you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms, live with or have been exposed to anyone with a confirmed or suspected case, or if you have tested positive for COVID-19. Your answers to the questions should be submitted to the best of your knowledge and how you are feeling that day. Based on your answers, you will receive one of two responses:

- A Green Check on your screen approves you to come to campus.
- A Red X on your screen will direct you to stay off campus. You must then notify dancedeks@hartford.edu. Please also contact your physician.

Each Day Upon Arrival at Studios:
All Faculty, Staff, and Students must:

- **Wear face coverings** which must be cleaned daily and worn at all times.
- **Have their temperature checked** before entering HPAC or Simsbury location. A temperature check station will be set up at the front entrance of HPAC.
- **Maintain 6 feet of space** between each other at all times.
- **Entrances, Exits and Routes** – Everyone must follow traffic markings and directions posted throughout the building.
- **Avoid physical contact** such as hand shaking, hugs, fist-bumps, or high fives.
- **Avoid congregating in common areas.** No one may use common refrigerators, microwaves, coffee and vending machines, and should plan accordingly for meals and beverages.
- **Rest rooms** – Everyone is required to wash hands, use the “one in, one out” model, and sanitize hands after exiting; trash cans will be placed near doors to encourage opening the door with the paper towel used to dry their hands.
- **Drop off** – Parents/Guardians should drop off their student(s) in the parking lot/entrance way, without entering the building. There will be a staff or faculty member there to greet the students as they enter.
- **Visitors** – Only visitors deemed essential by the Dance Office will be permitted to enter facilities. All visitors will be required to submit screening questionnaire, and follow all guidelines, strategies, policies, and procedures.