

TEELIN SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE

Guidelines for Attending Classes at the Teelin Studio

We take all health concerns seriously, and we care for the well being of our dancers and our Teelin community. Teelin is a Maryland small business located in Howard County, and as such, state and county policies are the basis of the guidelines outlined in this document. As pandemic restrictions and recommendations evolve, we will continue to review and evaluate how those changes affect our dance studio.

People coming to the Teelin studio are expected to be familiar with and adhere to the CDC guidelines for “How to Protect Yourself and Others”

-<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

Mask Policy - As of Feb 1, 2022, the mask mandate in Howard County has been lifted -

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/News020122c>. Therefore, the mask mandate in the Teelin studio has been lifted.

Health Screening Requests - Parents, please do not send your dancer to classes if they are not feeling well, or have any illness symptoms. Adults, please do not enter the Teelin studio if you are feeling unwell, or have any illness symptoms. Teelin will abide by the [Howard County Public School protocol for quarantine or isolation](#). **IMPORTANT: If a student is not permitted to attend school (per any school system), then they are not permitted to come to dance class.** Adult dancers and homeschool families are asked to follow the protocols outlined per the [CDC overview of Quarantine and Isolation](#).

Mandatory Reporting - Dancers and families who participate in any in-studio classes or events must inform Kathleen and Maureen the dancer or a family member has tested positive for COVID. Dancer information will be kept confidential.

Hand Sanitizing - Everyone entering the studio should sanitize their hands upon arrival. Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the studio.

Arrival & Dismissal - Parents who choose to wait for their dancer may either wait in the lobby, or they may bring a chair and wait in the grassy area next to the studio, or on the picnic benches behind the studio. Waiting outside is still encouraged on nice days.

Please arrive on time to pick up your dancer - if you are going to be late to pick up your dancer, text the teacher.

Dancer Belongings - Dancers will have a designated area for their belongings. **The fewer items that dancers bring into the studio, the better.** Dancers in the intermediate/advanced level classes are to bring their own warm up equipment like stretch bands, jump ropes, etc. Do not leave these items in the studio.

In the Studio:

The vending machine in the lobby is in service; please use hand sanitizer before and after touching the vending machine.

Studio room assignments are listed in the name of the class, and also listed under “location” in Studio Director.

There will be no in-person conversations with instructors between classes. Please call, e-mail or text the instructor with questions.

Dancers are not to leave their dance studio without teacher permission.

HEPA Air Filters are in use in the studio, and the garage door in Studio 1 will be opened when weather permits for increased air circulation.

Attendance:

Online registration is required for ALL classes. No dancer can show up to class without registering in advance. If a class is full, our online software registration allows dancers to be added to a waiting list for a class. **Dancers must receive confirmation of being added to the class before coming to the studio.**

Please inform us in writing (by e-mail sent to kathleen@teelin.com) if you know your dancer will be absent. Any requests for make-up classes must be sent to kathleen@teelin.com, and must be confirmed before the dancer attends the make-up class.

If you have further questions about Teelin’s policies, please contact Teelin Owner/Business Manager, Kathleen Young at kathleen@teelin.com.