



To all our WONDERFUL Elite Dancecentre Families,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well and you are all enjoying the remaining days of summer.

I have been waiting on confirmation from the CDC and Rockville Centre Schools as to what our next step here at Miss Colleen's will be regarding masks. I would like to provide you with an update.

After speaking to several medical professionals, and carefully weighing all my options I have decided to move ahead this September with children wearing masks in dance class. Although this decision has been a hard one, I know it is THE RIGHT ONE.

I understand there are many different views on the subject, however my number one concern is to make sure your children are physically, mentally, and emotionally SAFE.

Please read the following:

- We will be fully in person, dancing, and dancing in masks.
- There will be an area for mask breaks for any child that may need it.
- Please take note that each and every teacher is extremely sympathetic to the children wearing masks all day in school and will do their best to accommodate every child's needs.
- Our 2 and 3year olds are not required to wear masks in the classroom. We encourage them to wear a mask walking through the building if other classes are in progress. If the parent would like their child to wear a mask at these young ages I fully support your decision.
- We will be using the different entrances and exits as per your what dance studio your child will be dancing in. We will be exiting the same way you entered.
- Parents will **NOT** be allowed to hang out in the dance studio lobby.
- The Elite Dancecentre staff will be at each exit to welcome your dancer and bring your dancer to exit the building as well.

- No temperature checks will be required
- Teachers can and will recommend for a student to leave if they appear to be sick or showing any Covid symptoms.
- **EXTREME** cleaning measures will continue.
 - Nightly cleaning with licensed professionals.
 - Weekly sanitizing on Sundays by Aura Cleaning.
 - UV sanitizing lights in each and every vent.
 - HEPA filtration systems in each and every classroom.
- **If your child is having any of the following symptoms PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME.**
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
 - Exhaustion
 - ANY cold like symptoms.

The decision to require masks indoors again this fall has been based on expert medical recommendations. Right now it is vital to follow our medical experts and their guidance to ensure the safety and well-being of our students and staff.

Finally, please remember that information is likely to continue evolving. **WE WILL BE CONTINUING TO EVOLVE AS WELL.** My main goal as always is to put the mental, emotional, and physical health of your children first.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to email me at elitedancentre@gmail.com.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Miss Colleen

