

## Step By Step Studio Of Dance

### 2020-21 Dance Season

Hello and Welcome to the new dance year at Step By Step (SBS). We hope everyone has had a safe summer and is ready to begin the new dance year. This is our 23<sup>rd</sup> Season and we can't wait to share it with you!!! ***Classes will begin Monday, September 14.***

If you already registered for fall classes, you should have received your **personal fall schedule in a separate email**. Please check your classes and notify the studio if there are any mistakes or changes. If you haven't registered yet and would like to do so, we are having our in-person registration on Wednesday, **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, from **6:00 to 7:30 PM** at the studio or you can register anytime online from our website: [www.StepByStepStudioOfDance.com](http://www.StepByStepStudioOfDance.com) or by mail. If you are registering online please make sure you register as a **returning** student and use the email address that you received this from. If you know of anyone else who would like to join Step by Step, please pass this information along and you'll be enrolled in our **Spirit Club**. This is SBS's referral program. More information can be found at the studio on our Spirit wall but in the mean time if you refer a friend please have them write **your name** on their registration form. Once registrations have been received we cannot add referral names. Referrals are not for family members or someone who has previously been registered at SBS. Also, to stay updated please "like" us on Facebook to get current studio information or visit the Important Dates page on our website. The Important Dates page also has all notices, so if you missed something you'll be able to find it here.

If anyone needs any dance supplies, we recommend Capezio in Milford or the Dancer's Drawer in N. Attleboro. Our website lists all the shoes and attire needed. Please check under the Dress Code tab.

We are thrilled to add a part time addition to our faculty, Mr. Jason Berube. Some of you might have taken his zoom class this past spring. He will be co-teaching our hip hop 3 and 4 level classes. His classes are so much fun and the dancers loved it. We welcome him to our family.

Last season was a year like no other. It was unexpected, unprecedented, and challenging for all. Through it all, we kept dancing. When other things stopped, we didn't want to disappoint and wanted to keep some sort of the norm. We kept moving along and were thrilled to be able to end the season with our annual recital. Although it was not our traditional recital, we were able to put on a show and watch the dancers shine. We were so proud of everyone's performances, energy and dedication. Great job dancers! It was a show we'll never forget.

We know that you chose SBS for many reasons and welcome you to our family. Aside from teaching dance, SBS is a community for all our dancers and for some it's a second home. The safety and health of our dance families, instructors and staff are of the utmost importance, but we need your help. Adhering to the rules and procedures are a must. We want to do everything possible to dance together and keep each other healthy. We just completed our summer classes and workshops and we were able to successfully implement the policies below. We had lots of fun and were able to practice the new regulations. It makes us confident that we can jump into the fall but need everyone to do their part.

We will be following the state, local and CDC guidelines and will be implementing all these policies and procedures at the studio. These guidelines may change as things improve or decline in our current climate, and we reserve the right to make fair and reasonable changes where applicable, at any time.

As we move forward, SBS will be doing the following:

- Dancers will need to sanitize their hands upon entering the studio.
- A mask/face covering must be worn in all common space areas at all times.
- A mask/face covering must be worn during class. Mask breaks will be given as the dancers social distance.
- All dance rooms are marked with 6 feet squares to help with social distancing.
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet between dancers is required outside the studio doors and in the parking lot.
- Students will be allowed into the building Right at Class Time. There will be No waiting in the waiting room.
- In the fall, waiting areas will be closed. However parents with little dancers (ages 5 and under) may walk small children up to studio doors with mask on. Since space is very limited and we have capacity restrictions, waiting in your car or drop off/pick up will be necessary.
- Dancers who have breaks can wait at the studio but please notify the office so we can account for your presence.
- Please come dressed in dance attire and ready for class as our waiting area will be closed.
- Each dance room will be sanitized after every class. All high-touched items will be cleaned, as well as barres, door handles, light switches and props.
- The hallways, bathrooms, front desk and kitchen area will be sanitized throughout the day.
- All parents and visitors must sanitize their hands upon entering the studio. Hand sanitizer is available at many locations throughout SBS.
- There will be smaller class sizes and we will be adhering to the restrictions.
- After class, all dancers will need to sanitize their hands before leaving the dance room.
- We realize that some families may have a compromising situation or are not entirely comfortable with the idea of in-person classes yet. We have virtual options available. Most of these options will be fully focused on virtual teaching. Please see our online schedule for days and times.
- If any dancers are experiencing any of the below they should stay home.
  - o Fever
  - o Difficulty Breathing
  - o New or Worsening Cough
  - o Loss of Smell, Taste or Appetite
  - o Sore Throat
  - o Vomiting or Diarrhea
  - o Body Aches
  - o Have you been Exposed to Anyone with Covid-19
  - o Are awaiting results from a Covid-19 Test or a family member is waiting for results
- If sickness is in question we say better safe than sorry and the dancers should stay home. They can zoom their class. Please call the office to let us know so that we can give you the login information and the teacher can set up the zoom. We will not be zooming the regular classes

unless someone is absent and asks for it. We suggest that the younger dancers join the virtual class when they need to miss.

- If a student, teacher or staff member is diagnosed with Covid-19 we will follow the CDC and state recommended protocol:
  - o The studio will be closed for 14 days.
  - o The studio will undergo a deep cleaning.
  - o During the 14-day closure, all classes will run virtually through zoom.
  - o SBS will notify all dance families, while adhering to HIPAA privacy guidelines.
  - o After recovering from Covid-19 illness, students, teacher or staff must present a doctor's note saying that it is safe for them to return.

When you register for the 2020-21 season, you are registering for a September – June program. We hope that a repeat of last year's closure does not occur. Your registration at SBS will continue if, for any reason, the studio building must close due to a state mandate. Should that happen, we will immediately switch to a virtual studio until we are allowed to resume in-person classes. Let's hope this doesn't happen but know we can do it, if it does.

If anyone has any questions, please call the studio at 508-533-1953. We look forward to seeing everyone!

Thank you and happy dancing,

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