

# Welcome

## Upcoming Events:

- \* September 8—Full year classes begin
- \* September 12 RAD ballet exams
- \* September 14-17 - Sessional classes begin
- \* September 22—Dance Invasion at Winsport for solos and duets

## Questions or concerns?

### Studio Contact Information:

**Website:** [creative-expression.ca](http://creative-expression.ca)

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The studio website offers information on dress code, policies and procedures, an online dance store and a calendar of events. It is updated on a regular basis.

## Opening Procedures

Welcome to our new and returning students. We are so happy to have you as part of our dance family. There is a lot of information to impart as we begin this new challenging season of dance.

You will be receiving a schedule of classes for your child in a separate email. Please note the room assigned as this determines which door your child will enter the building.

For classes being held in the main studio, students will enter through the back door that opens to the parking lot.

For classes being held in the Homestead Room or Upstairs Studio, students will enter through the doors next to the Homestead Room.

If your first class is in the hall, you will enter through the door where the barbecue is located.

Signs will be posted at each of these entrances. Bearspaw Lifestyle Centre has informed us that they will be keeping all doors locked which means that parents cannot wait inside the building for students. Teachers will be letting students in at the appointed class time. Hand sanitizer will be required upon enter-

ing and exiting class. Please ensure your student is wearing a mask when they arrive. Once students are properly distanced, they have the option to take off their mask.

As part of our routine, attendance and temperatures will be recorded at the start of class. All classes **MUST** have foot wear for class. This includes contemporary, lyrical and acro. We are minimizing contact with touchable surfaces. For acro, once students are at their mat, it will be at the teacher's discretion to remove footwear as we will be sanitizing the mats between classes. No one is expected to purchase something new. Please use ballet slippers, jazz shoes, dance socks (these have grips on the bottom.) Please no foot undeez or turning shoes at this time.

Please only send your student with what they need for that day. There are no cubbies or lockers to use. Bags will be lined up against the wall and the area will be sanitized between classes. Keep phones in your bag. For students in multiple classes, you will not be able to change clothes. An example is provided below to address clothing requirements for a sample student:

Dancer has 3 classes, hip hop, tap and ballet. Student will wear leotard and tights with leggings and loose tshirt over top. After hip hop, student removes shirt for tap and after tap, removes leggings for ballet.

All hair must be securely fixed into a bun or if student has only tap or hip hop, braided hair. No loose hair, no ponytails and no changing hair for different classes.

If you are in class for less than 3 hours, no food is permitted. There are no micro-waves to use in the centre. During the first month teachers will figure out who needs a break to eat and ensure they are doing it in a sanitized spot.

There is a lot of information provided so please do not hesitate to contact the studio with questions. All these steps are required for compliance with recommendations created specifically for dance studios to operate safely in the province.

## Sessional Classes

All classes highlighted in yellow on the attached schedule, start one week later (week of September 14.)

There has been interest in an adult jazz class. If you would like more information, please email the office as we hope to have this scheduled soon.