

OID Fall 2020 Season is OPEN!

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Dear OID Families,

The OID Fall 2020 class schedule is now open and available for viewing on Studio Director. We are following a "hybrid" structure in which small (anaerobic) step classes are held *in-person* in small "bubble" groups. Larger (aerobic) fitness classes, including Adult Fitness, Stretch/Warmup and Barre, will only be available *online*. With schools in the Twin Cities mostly online, we are striving to make dance safe and accessible. Please share the OID 2020 season with interested family and friends, but note that class spaces are strictly limited.

Dancers in Primary 1 through Championship and Adults have been pre-placed in classes for their class starting **Monday, August 24th** to reserve their space. PreSchool and Beginner may choose their days for their start after Labor Day, **September 8th**. If you are not placed in a class, have been away from the school for a while, or have questions about registering, contact our administrator, Donna. If you have questions about your current placement, please contact your teacher directly:

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- cormac@osheairishdance.com (Intermediate and up)
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- becky@osheairishdance.com (Beginner Intermediate Adult)

Together, Celtic Junction and OID have increased class and studio protocols in order to meet and exceed recommended safety precautions. Please review the attached documents carefully before classes commence. Highlights include:

- Celtic Junction remains closed to the public, with usage restricted to specific, scheduled groups, held to the same strict studio protocols.
- The Junction is unique in its HVAC system, with 5 different units separate to each upper/lower level of the building. We are utilizing this facility by restricting OID dance levels into specific Junction studios.
- Each studio will have its own isolated entrance, exit, and assigned bathrooms for users with sanitizing supplies and posted protocols.
- Lobbies will remain restricted to drop off/pick up in order to reduce lobby congestion, with the exception of parental support of young children
- PreSchool through Primary classes will include 15 minute spaces between classes to allow clearance for parent aid.
- Masks are required. Athletic masks are available for purchase on this FORM
- Temperatures of dancers entering studios will be taken (99.9+ to stay home).
- Families are to remain vigilant to maintain the health and safety of their bubble group by staying home if there are any symptoms, if you are awaiting test results for any family member, or suspect exposure, please alert your instructor.
- By restricting and isolating with these rules we will be able to fully employ contact tracing should it become necessary.

Updated protocols for CJ Studio Use (arrivals/departures/prep) and Bathroom Protocols are attached. We ask that you read them carefully. Only as a united community can we ensure this system will be able to function safely and with the health of all in mind. Please also understand that all these accommodations have defined and restricted available class times - so thank you in advance for your flexibility - this has been a complicated puzzle. Teachers will be sending out level-specific reminders next week.

Following Minnesota school guidelines, we will remain set up and ready to pivot within 12 hours notice back to online classes without needing to alter schedules. Families with loaned dance floors are recommended to hold on to their floors in this case, with the exception of what the IDPA will call on for feis floors. There are also new feis protocols out, so September's St. Paul Autumn Feis will be running (reduced to one competition over two days with scheduled arrivals, one age at a time, and spread out in a 40,000 foot space.) Feis details are <u>HERE</u>!

Thank you so much for sharing your dance and/or your beautiful children with us, it is our great delight to help bodies strengthen and develop!

Yours,

Natalie & Cormac O'Shea

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- ej_ studio usage protocol all.docx 8K
- ej bathroom protocol.docx 7K