To Our IPBA Family:

We are here for you, and we’re taking all possible steps to keep our students, staff and the entire IPBA community safe. Our goal at this time is to safely maintain classes for our dancers, and jobs for our dedicated staff, in order to provide all with a much-needed sense of purpose and normalcy during this global challenge. We wanted to share with you the precautionary measures we’ve taken so far.

**Increased Sanitation Measures:** We’ve doubled our full-building cleaning and sanitizing schedule, significantly increasing the frequency and duration. In addition, during business hours we are regularly disinfecting surfaces – for classrooms before each class for doorknobs and handles, and hourly at the front door and front desk. We have also added automatic, touchless hand sanitizer stations at strategic locations in the studio (more to come as back-orders arrive). Barres are being cleaned frequently throughout instructional hours.

**Social Distancing:** We are reducing capacity at the lobby tables and lunchroom tables and will be encouraging social distancing by asking that no more than 2 people share a table. To this end we also ask for your cooperation in limiting the number of people dropping off and picking up students, and also limiting your time in the building to avoid a crowded lobby and lunchroom area. Teachers will not be touching students for purposes of hands-on correcting and will also be adhering to recommended social distancing in classes – so no hugs after class please.

**Student/Instructor Protocols:** Students will be asked to enter the classroom and cubby their belongings, then hand sanitize at the station designated for their classroom (instructors and desk staff will help direct your dancer). Students will be instructed to re-sanitize hands after barre. (For pre-ballet, 1A and 1B students, instructors will help students hand sanitize inside the classroom.) Frequently during instructional hours, instructors and volunteers will be sanitizing door knobs and door handles and other commonly touched surfaces. Instructors and all staff will be reminding students about the personal space protocols stated below,

**Virtual Classroom Option:** If you’re choosing to stay home, we’re exploring ways we might offer a virtual classroom experience option. This should be an exciting venture into technology for dance training! Stay tuned for details as we learn how we might be able to launch this option in the coming weeks.

**Your Part:**

- **If you or your children are sick, we urge you to stay home and follow the recommended guidelines** from the County of Los Angeles:
  - Stay home when you or your child is sick. Stay home and do not come to school until you/they are free of fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.
  - If your dancer is exhibiting signs of a fever or has a cough, we will send them home immediately.
  - Teach your dancer, and reinforce frequently, to not touch their faces.
  - Teach your dancer, and reinforce frequently the concept of social distancing – creating larger personal space between them and their friends, no touching, no hugging.

We will continue to make decisions informed by recommendations from local public health and government agencies, and keep our clients updated about any changes. On behalf of all of us, thank you for being a part of our IPBA family.

Stay tuned for updates and most importantly, stay well.

Inland Pacific Ballet Academy Team