

# ORLANDO BALLET

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## **Student & Guest COVID-19 Screening Policy**

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The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Orlando Ballet is providing a safe and healthy environment for its employees, students, and other guests at Harriett's Orlando Ballet Centre (HOBC).

Any employees, students, or guests who are experiencing illness, including COVID-19 symptoms, should stay home and away from the public environment and seek evaluation from their medical provider or a virtual visit healthcare service. Students should notify Orlando Ballet School Administrative Manager Jenny Logus ([jlogus@orlandoballet.org](mailto:jlogus@orlandoballet.org) or 407.418.9818) and Managing Director Katherine Fabian ([kfabian@orlandoballet.org](mailto:kfabian@orlandoballet.org) or 407.418.9811) as soon as possible if they develop symptoms or learn that they have been in contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

Effective May 21, 2020, and until further notice, all students and guests seeking entrance at HOBC will be asked screening questions and must have their body temperature taken as a precautionary measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Students should arrive at their designated time and enter HOBC through the main entrance to be screened privately by a designated employee.

### **Screening Procedures**

- Effective Monday, November 30, 2020, all students (or their parents) will be required to complete a brief online screening questionnaire prior to entering HOBC each day. This questionnaire will include questions regarding any symptoms they may be experiencing or any exposure that they may have had to COVID-19. Families will receive a link via email and text to access this questionnaire. This questionnaire should be completed at least 30 minutes but no more than 90 minutes prior to the start of a student's class time to ensure it reflects up-to-date information. If a questionnaire has not been completed for a student upon their arrival to HOBC, a QR code will be available for the student or parent to quickly access and complete the questionnaire.
- Upon arrival at HOBC, other (non-student) guests will be verbally asked a series of screening questions to self-report any symptoms they may be experiencing or any exposure that they may have had to COVID-19.
- Any individual indicating that they are currently exhibiting symptoms, have experienced symptoms within the last 14-days, have been exposed to anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, or have recently traveled from certain areas will not be permitted to enter HOBC.
- All students and guests will have their temperature taken by a designated employee using a touchless forehead thermometer or at a touchless temperature kiosk.
- Temperatures below 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will not be documented, and students/guests will be permitted to enter HOBC.
- An individual who has a fever at or above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will not be permitted to enter HOBC.

- Students or guests who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 or signs of a temperature after initial entrance may be subsequently screened. An individual exhibiting symptoms or who has a fever at or above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will be promptly isolated in a pre-designated isolation area. Guests will be asked to leave HOBC immediately. A symptomatic student's parents or guardians will be advised immediately, and they will be required to leave the building as soon as possible.
- Students and guests who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 should continue to isolate themselves and seek medical care.

### **Returning to HOBC After Exhibiting Symptoms or After Exposure to COVID-19**

Orlando Ballet will follow [CDC recommendations](#) regarding returning to HOBC after exhibiting symptoms or after exposure to COVID-19. A student or guest who experiences symptoms of COVID-19 or is exposed to another individual who has received a positive COVID-19 test result should contact Managing Director Katherine Fabian to confirm when they may return to HOBC.

Typically, a student or guest who has an elevated temperature or exhibits other symptoms of COVID-19 can return to HOBC when:

- At least ten (10) days have passed since the symptoms first appeared; AND
- He or she has had no fever for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication; AND
- Other symptoms of COVID-19 are improving.

A student or guest may return to HOBC earlier if a doctor confirms the cause of an individual's fever or other symptoms is not COVID-19 and releases the individual to return in writing.

The CDC recommends that individuals who are exposed to COVID-19 through close contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 quarantine for 14 days after their last exposure to the infected individual. [Close contact is defined by the CDC](#) as being within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated. For individuals who do may have been exposed to COVID-19 but are not experiencing any symptoms, the [CDC does suggest options to reduce the quarantine period](#). Students and guests in this situation should contact Managing Director Katherine Fabian ([kfabian@orlandoballet.org](mailto:kfabian@orlandoballet.org) or 407.418.9811) as soon as possible to determine the appropriate quarantine period.

### **Policy Updates and Enforcement**

All policies and procedures are subject to change based on government guidance. Any student or guests who is not compliant with the above policies, procedures, and protocols by any student or guest will be denied entrance to HOBC and/or will be asked to immediately leave HOBC. Please contact Managing Director Katherine Fabian at [kfabian@orlandoballet.org](mailto:kfabian@orlandoballet.org) or 407.418.9811 should you have any questions or concerns about this policy.