



COVID 19 Operational Plan

**DANCE QUEST IS AN EVENT ORGANIZED BY
QUEST PRODUCTIONS INC.**

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INTRODUCTION...

Quest Productions Inc has been working diligently to ensure the safety of our employees, our workspace, our dancers and the community. This COVID-19 Work Plan is to ensure we are complying with Public Health rules and regulations. We have implemented rules and guidelines to be able to offer the safest environment for our dancers, adjudicators and attendees.

As we continue to navigate through this pandemic, we will regularly update our COVID-19 Work Plan. We believe this Work Plan addresses many of the key elements contained in the COVID-19 Operational Plan now required by the New Brunswick Government for businesses and organizations to operate.

It is important to get the economy working again while at the same time ensuring the safety of our employees and our dance family.

We are also working closely with our venue partners. They also have implemented practices and procedures we will also follow.

ABOUT DANCE QUEST..

Dance Quest is a Dance Competition organized by Quest Productions Inc. Now in our 21st year we have held numerous dance competitions throughout Atlantic Canada.

Nationals competition is set to take place November 5-8th 2020 at TD Station in Saint John, NB.

SIGNAGE...

At each venue, signage will be placed in designated areas to promote proper hygiene and physical distancing. They will be placed at entrances and where dancers /attendees frequent. These areas will include:

- Front entrance
- Washrooms
- Elevator area
- Dressing Rooms
- Registration Desk
- and other common areas

PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM GETTING SICK:



Wash your hands often



Elbow cough/sneeze



Avoid touching eyes, nose, mouth with hands



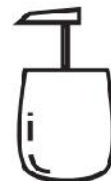
Cough in tissues and throw away



Stay home if you are sick



Avoid contact with sick person



Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available

HAND WASHING...

Dancers, Teachers and Attendees will be encouraged to continue to flatten the curve. Everyone will be encouraged to wash their hands as it is crucial to maintaining a sterile environment. Signage will be posted on the proper way to wash their hands:

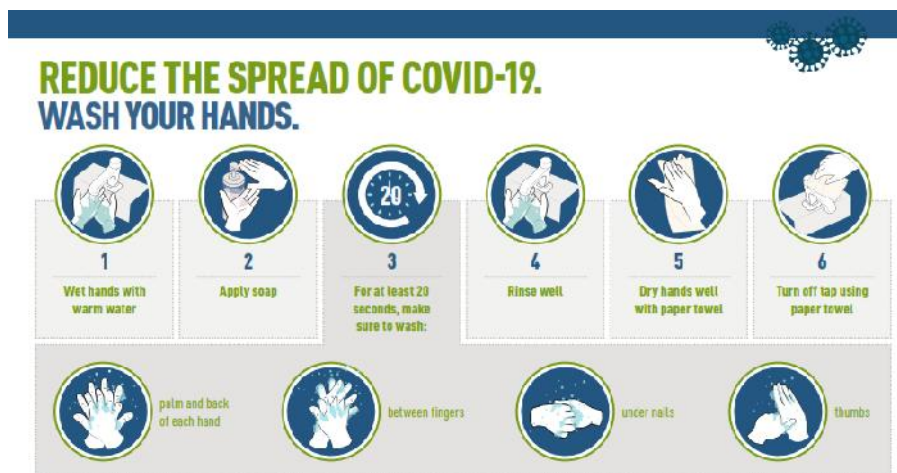
-) Wet hands with warm water.
-) Apply soap.
-) Wash hands for at least 20 seconds (including your palms, back of each hand, between fingers, thumbs and under nails).
-) Rinse well.
-) Dry hands well with paper towel.
-) Turn off tap using paper towel.

When coughing or sneezing:

-) cough or sneeze into a tissue or the bend of your arm, not your hand
-) dispose of any tissues you have used as soon as possible in a lined waste basket and wash your hands afterwards
-) Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands

Sanitizing Stations

Hand sanitizing stations will be placed at the venue in various locations such as back stage, dressing rooms for the dancers as well as common areas for attendees.



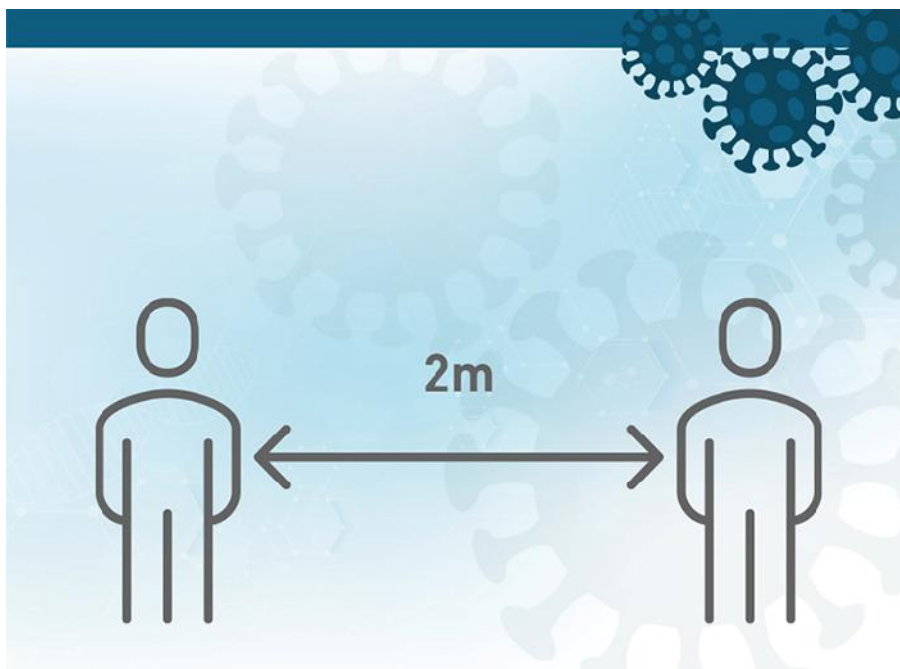
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PHYSICAL DISTANCING...

Together, we can slow the spread of COVID-19 by making a conscious effort to keep a physical distance between each other. Physical distancing is proven to be one of the most effective ways to reduce the spread of illness during an outbreak. With patience and cooperation, we can all do our part. During the dance competition:

- J avoiding common greetings, such as handshakes and hugs
- J Masks must be worn
- J keeping a distance of at least 2 arms lengths (approximately 2 metres) from others, as much as possible
- J Capacity restrictions in dressing rooms are encouraged.
- J Dancer bubbles are encouraged stay together.
- J Masks must be worn in common area



CAPACITY IN DRESSING ROOMS...

A sign will be posted at the entrance of each dressing rooms. This sign will include the capacity of the number of dancers that can be accommodated while we continue to follow the physical distancing rules. Each school will be assigned their own dressing rooms. The following sign is an example:



FACE COVERINGS

We require attendees and dancers to wear masks in the common areas of the venue. Masks will not be required for dancers while competing on stage **only**. However, masks must be worn backstage and to and from dressing rooms or any other common areas. Dance Quest staff and crew will be wearing masks at all times. It will be at the faculty's discretion whether they wear masks while teaching and/or judging. No scoring deductions will be given for costumes including masks, gloves, or protective equipment during performances.

TEMPERATURE SCANNERS

Quest Productions will be using temperature scanners at each door entrance. All attendees must pass through this before entering the Competition area. Anyone with a slight temperature will not be allowed access.

FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS

Any attendee that is experiencing flu-like symptoms, we ask that you please not attend the event. Anyone who has travelled outside of Atlantic Canada for any reason within the last 14 days of the competition will not be permitted entry.

COMPETITION SPECTATORS

To help comply with social distancing guidelines and bubble groups, spectators will be sectioned by dance schools that are competing. When purchasing tickets, the ticket vendor will assign and ensure proper spacing between attendees. Only bubble families will be allowed to sit together.

It is required that all attendees wear a mask and only sit with members of their studio by assigned seats.

LIVE STREAM OF COMPETITION

Competition for all Dance Quest events will be live streamed for free to provide those an opportunity to stay at home to watch the competition.

BLOCK COMPETITION SCHEDULE

In some cities, studio entries will be scheduled to compete in blocks, based upon capacity of the venue.

DANCE PERFORMANCES

Option 1 - Solo's, Duo's, Trio's and Small Groups will be performing first. Scheduling will be conducted as normal with a maximum number of dancers per section.

Large Groups will perform by scheduling 4 dance studios at a time.

Option 2 - Studio's will be scheduled to perform in blocks of 4 studios at a time. Maximum number of dancers per block. Cleaning and sanitizing of stage will be done before and after each block.

Note: Masks must be worn until ready to go on stage. Every dancer must have a zip lock bag with their name on it. Tables will be placed near the stairs with hand sanitizers. Dancers are then asked to place their mask in their zip lock bag, sanitize their hands, and go on stage to perform. After performance dancers are asked to sanitize their hands, retrieve their bag and place their mask back on.

COMPETITION AWARDS SESSION

For the foreseeable future, Quest has decided there will not be gathering on stage for the medals/awards portion of the event. All awards will be live streamed. Announcements will be made, and medals will be included in the Studio Award Box.

STUDIO AWARDS BOX

Quest will be offering our unique Studio Award Box. Each award box will include your adjudicated awards, high score awards, and all scholarships that are won from your studio throughout the event. Studio Award Boxes will be available for pick up at the event's registration desk or will be couriered to each participating schools.

ODYSSEY SHOW AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

For now, Dance Quest will determine how the finale will be conducted depending on public health rules and regulations.

Option 1 - finalist perform in final show

Option 2 - finalists' videos are played again on live stream to create final show

Scholarships and medals will be available for pick up at the registration desk in each Studio's Award Box.

DRESSING ROOMS

Dressing room spaces will be expanded to help comply with social distancing. Studios should limit the number of parents assisting with costume changes. Dancers are encouraged to come dressed to compete, to minimize the use of the dressing rooms. Dressing rooms will be cleaned frequently by Dance Quest staff.

VENUE CLEANLINESS

Quest Productions will be coordinating with all venues to ensure that the event space is a safe, healthy and clean environment for all attendees. All spaces throughout the event will be thoroughly cleaned frequently throughout the day. This includes

each workshop room, stage, registration, photo, video and merchandise booths along with all other lobby and common areas.

STAGE

Stage floors will be cleaned and disinfected throughout the day.

WORKSHOPS

Dance Quest will be holding virtual classes until such time where large groups will be permitted. All participants as well as teachers will have access to these virtual classes.

JUDGES

Quest will make available 2 - 4 Judges, based on registrations to adjudicate each performance. Comments will be made via live streaming. It is our plan to potentially have one judge onsite from the Atlantic bubble wherever possible.