



March 12, 2020

CINCINNATI BALLET: ACADEMY HEALTH UPDATE & CLOSURE NOTICE

Dear Academy Families,

With close attention to the evolving situation surrounding the coronavirus (COVID-19), Cincinnati Ballet is taking some additional precautionary measures to safeguard the health and wellbeing of our students, families, patrons and staff.

While there are currently no confirmed COVID-19 cases within our Cincinnati Ballet community, out of an abundance of caution, **Cincinnati Ballet's Otto M. Budig Academy has decided to extend its Spring Break starting Saturday, March 14, through Friday, April 3.** During that time period, no Main or Children's Division classes will be held. Through the coming weeks, we will continue to monitor the situation and make additional announcements should class cancellations extend beyond that period of time. Students participating in *Family Series: Snow White* will receive more information shortly from our Young Performers Cast Coordinators. At this time, Adult Division classes will continue as regularly scheduled.

Today through Friday, March 13, any student absences due to additional caution or concern on the part of our families will be considered excused. As we look to close the week well, it remains critical that anyone exhibiting symptoms of illness including but not limited to fever, cough, sore throat or body aches, remain home and not attend class.

We understand these are unprecedented circumstances and look forward to sharing additional information and details in the coming days. Now, more than ever, we are grateful for the thoughtful care and support of our Cincinnati Ballet community and look forward to the opportunity to safely come together once again. Your understanding and continued commitment to Cincinnati Ballet is much appreciated as we continue to navigate the impact of COVID-19 on your student's dance training.

With thanks,

Ginger Johnson
Vice President of Academy + Education