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What have we been doing during the closure?

Currently, we are in the process of doing a deep cleaning of every inch of the gym and lobby areas. In addition to cleaning, we have been doing some upkeep and lots of maintenance. We have emptied and cleaned out the bar pit. We have also been keeping up with our yearly and quarterly maintenance and safety checks. The gym building is still standing and functioning properly! Yay!

Moving forward toward Reopen:

When we know an official reopen date, we will let you all know!

In regards to cleaning, social distancing and other rules and/or recommendations, we will comply with all government mandates. Once we know the full mandate from the governor, we will adjust these procedures, but wanted to post what our current plans are.

We will follow the government's rules and guidelines for as long as we are mandated to do so. We know that we cannot eliminate all safety and health risks, but we will do our best to do all we can to make this as realistic as possible!

Here is what we will be doing to minimize health risks:

Cleaning and Health Precautions

Distancing – We will do our best to separate all children as much as possible. We will stretch them 6 feet apart and will create our skill stations 6 feet apart. It will be tricky walking to and from rotations, but we will do our best to keep the children separated as we rotate in groups. Please understand that these are children. They may accidentally or inadvertently touch each other at times. We cannot control this, but will do our best to allow for spacing.

Student Sickesses – If your child is ill, has had a fever in the last 24 hours or is starting to act ill, please keep him/her home.

Side Note: Makeup Classes – Moving forward, starting in May, we will have an unlimited amount of makeup classes for you! You won't have to use them in a month, like we used to do. We will be updating our policy to have a lot more flexibility for you! More to come on this later.

Staff Sickesses – If any staff member has a fever or cold, he/she will not be allowed to work that day. As this occurs, please understand that you child will have a substitute coach.

Hand Washing – We ask that your child wash his/her hands well when they enter the building (or use hand sanitizer) and when he/she exits the building. Especially help young children after he/she uses the restroom.

Hand Sanitizer Stations – We now have 4 Hand Sanitizer Stations in the building (we will add more if needed). We will be using these often! We are having a hard time finding more hand sanitizer to purchase (we have enough to last about a month) – if you have access to some, please let us know! We are asking for donations and/or contacts of companies to purchase from! We will even reimburse you for this if you bring us a new, unopened dispenser (large sizes only please). Just bring the receipt to us at the front office.

Sneezing/Coughing – In addition to hand washing entering the building and exiting the building, if a child and/or staff member sneezes or coughs (into elbow, of course), he/she will be sent out to wash his/her hands (or use hand sanitizer).

Masks – Our coaches will wear masks while spotting children. If they are more than 6 feet away from the children, he/she will not be required to wear one. Students will not be required to wear a mask, but can if they would like. Coach masks will be washed daily.

Daily Cleaning – Our staff will be wiping down all hand railings, bathroom surfaces and countertops frequently. We will be cleaning our larger pieces of equipment at the end of every day. Bathrooms, cubbies, viewing chairs, floors, windows and trash cans will continue to be cleaned at the end of every day.

Class Sizes and Changes

Ratio: For the month of May (and maybe June too), we will be lowering our number of students per class to space the kids out even more. On average, there will be about 2-3 kids less per class. We plan to go back to our normal ratios in June or July.

Change in Schedule/Coaches: There will be some changes in certain class times. You will be notified if your class time has changed. There will be some coach changes as well, as some coaches may have had to get another job or move home at this time. You will be notified if your coach has changed.

How to handle the Crowds?

Lobby Capacity – We will now only allow up to one parent to watch per student. For children ages 5 and younger, please plan on staying to watch class (and to help with any bathroom needs), or stay close by in the parking lot. For children ages 6 and older, we strongly encourage drop off now (though this is not mandatory). We need to limit the capacity of the lobby to maintain social distancing. We will have areas blocked off and chairs separated to help with this. Make sure your emergency contact info is correct in our database in case we need to reach you during class.

Parent Viewing – With the reduced number of spectators allowed in our gym now, we are getting creative. You know how you bring your camping chairs to watch soccer practices? With the weather

getting nicer, we highly encourage you to bring those camping chairs to the gym now! You can watch from the behind the glass windows along the sidewalks at the front of the building.

Sit by the Garage Doors! – When it is approximately 60-80 degrees outside, we will open our garage doors and you can sit in your chairs on the back side of the building, even closer to the action! We are excited for this option! Please be considerate and do not smoke near the building. If you walk your dog around the building, please keep him/her on a leash and do not bring him/her if they are not good around children or bark a lot.

Entry/Exit – There will now be a “flow of traffic” for parents/spectators. When you enter the main entrance, please quickly help your child get ready for class and then exit out the middle door of our building. This will be the same flow of traffic when/if you come in for pick up at the end of class.

Cubbies – We will have marked zones for children’s personal items (including their labelled water bottles). These will be accessed in small groups of children at the end of classes.

Class Entrance Protocol – Please arrive 5 minutes before your class time – no longer will we be able to allow families to come in early. Please stay in your car until this 5 minute window starts. This will allow the previous classes to exit the facility.

Class Dismissal Protocol – The coaches will continue to be the “hand off” person for your child. The coaches will end class about 2-5 minutes early now and will keep children distanced while they put their clothes over their leotard, collect their things and sanitize his/her hands.

For 10 year old children and up: Parents, please discuss with your child how he/she will be picked up. We do not want children exiting the building unless he/she sees his/her parent. We recommend standing outside your car and waving down your child. Please keep safety in mind in the parking lot.

For 6-9 year old children: Parents, please enter the gym at the main entrance, pick up your child and exit through the middle door.

For 5 and younger children: Parents, please be ready right after class to help your child with his/her items and exit out the middle door.

What to Bring to Classes Now – Water Bottles and Socks -- We would like all children to bring his/her own water bottle (labelled). Coaches will have bins to carry these water bottles with them to all rotations in the gym. We want to avoid using the water fountains as much as possible. Also, please have your child bring socks to use the Euro Trampoline (keep in their cubby). We will no longer be storing those socks in ziplocs by the trampolines anymore (please pick up your socks if you want them – we will be throwing those away by May 20). Both water bottles and socks can be purchased in our front office shop.

Special Events

Birthday Parties, Adventure Gym, Parents Night Out

We will NOT be holding any special events at this time. Once we are able to open up more of these activities, we will let you know!

Clinics

We plan to offer more daytime skill clinics. More info on these soon. These would be in addition to classes, for those families that want their child to attend more instruction-based activities.

Parents, you may have more ideas for us! We are open to them. Just drop us an email with suggestions. Of course, we might be able to implement some, but not others. Thanks for your support and encouragement. We are so excited to coach your kids again!

Always,

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