



Dear Shawl-Anderson Families,

Thank you for your support and patience as we navigate new ways to keep our community connected at this time of physical distancing. We are thinking of each and every one of you and appreciate hearing from students of all ages, families, artists and community members expressing concern for each other at this time. Thank you for bringing the same care and kindness to SADC virtually as you do in your daily and weekly interactions at the center.

We plan to resume all classes at SADC as soon as it is safe to do so. We will continue to stay in contact and keep you up to date as we know more about the nature of this closure and the possibilities of returning to class this semester.

We know that your children are missing dance and that long days at home can be challenging for everyone. In an effort to keep us all moving and connected, SADC has launched [SADC Online](#) a place where you can find class offerings for youth and adults. All offerings are free! For those who can step in and donate, you will be helping to make it possible for all youth and adult dancers to come together and move - students and teachers alike. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

You can also check out our brand new [Community Resources webpage](#), which has a youth-focused section where we'll be sharing creative games, virtual dance classes and more offerings from folks beyond our teaching staff. Continue to look for updates!

Our weekly Friday email newsletter is pivoting from adult program and performance updates to focus on activities, inspiration, and things to do - including youth specific ideas! You can join the email list here: [Weekly Email Update](#)

We'll also be sharing resources from around the dance community on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) (@shawlanderson) - consider following us there for fun content and ways you can stay involved in the dance and art community!

Finally, for those of you with questions about the tuition you've already paid for the current session, we are asking that each family consider the following three options:

Donation: As many of you know, SADC is a non-profit organization with a mission to build community through movement and dance. If you are able, we ask that you consider converting your missed classes into a tax-deductible donation. Our administrative staff is working hard to continue supporting our community of dancers during this closure, and we are striving to continue paying our teaching staff, as well. Your donation at this time will keep SADC strong so that we may return to full operations from a place of preparation and resilience.

Credit: If you know your child/teen will be joining us for classes in the future and you are not in a position to donate the tuition already paid, consider a credit to your account to apply to a future registration for classes, camps, and intensives.

Refund: We know that many will experience financial hardship as a result of this challenging time. If you prefer a refund for the classes missed due to closure, we will process the refund at the end of the closure period. If you select this option, we'll let you know the method of refund before we remit the refund.

Please fill out this short [YOUTH TUITION FORM](#) to select your option. Credits and refunds will be applied when we return to our regular schedule or at the end of the semester.

We welcome suggestions and continued communication; please tell us what you need, and share your ideas! We are so grateful to have you as members of the Shawl-Anderson community. Please be well, healthy, and safe! And keep dancing!

Warm regards,

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