

Miller Marley School of Dance and Voice Policies and Procedures

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Severe Weather Information

To enable parents / caregivers to respond quickly if severe weather is imminent, they are advised to stay alert for current weather conditions by checking the television, radio or internet for weather updates.

- The studio recommends that parents equip their children with cell phones to use for emergency purposes.
- Parents are advised to keep their cell phones turned on when their child is at the studio.
- Parents with children of driving age are encouraged to initiate a plan to follow in the event that the child is at the studio and the roads could be hazardous due to severe weather conditions.
- The decision regarding the child's ability to drive under these conditions is at the sole discretion of his/her parents.

Spring and Summer Severe Weather

If a Tornado Warning is issued, the studio will close immediately! This does not include a Tornado Watch, under which conditions the studio will remain open. Under the following weather advisories, the studio will remain open but will be on the alert for changing weather conditions:

- Tornado Watch / Severe Weather Watch / Severe Thunderstorm Watch / Flash Flood Watch
- Severe Thunderstorm Warning / Flash Flood Warning / Severe Heat Warning

In the event that a Tornado Warning is issued, the following precautions will be taken to ensure the safety of the students. Students will be escorted to the following areas to take cover: The back rooms of Studio 3, 4 and 6 – the back of Studio 2 and the storeroom and lounge areas of Studio 5 & 6.

Once a Tornado Warning has been issued, parents are strongly encouraged to pick up their children (from the studio) as soon as possible by going to the designated areas as described above. If at such time the driving conditions are so hazardous as to pose a risk to the parent(s), those children who have not been picked up will remain in the designated areas until the "all clear" is announced and the roads are safe for travel. Those students who remain (after the majority have been picked up) will be transported to Shirley Marley's home (located within two blocks of the studio) that is equipped with a basement. A note to this effect and directions to Shirley's home will be posted on the door to the office.

Winter Severe Weather

Miller Marley will follow the Blue Valley School District policy with regards to school closings. If Blue Valley cancels its after school activities, the studio will cancel its afternoon and evening classes. All weekend classes will be cancelled at the discretion of the studio. If the studio is closed due to inclement weather, a message to this effect will be recorded on the studio voicemail, the Miller Marley website and on Facebook.

If a Winter Storm Watch / Warning is issued while classes are in session, the studio will remain open but will stay alert for changing weather conditions. Under these circumstances, if weather conditions worsen and the studio decides to close, all parents will be called to pick up their children immediately.