



## MASKs BEHAVIOR POLICY

MASKs classes require basic but consistent community building behavior from students. In addition to any 'rules of play' as articulated by MASKs instructors for specific activities, students will be expected to demonstrate the following communal behaviors with no or limited redirection from MASKs instructors:

- Ability to wait for and to take turns with patience and limited or no conversation
- Attention: as respectful and focused audience member
- Attention: as respectful and focused listener during instruction
- Courteous tone of voice to instructors as well as other MASKs students
- Language and actions that are appropriate to the classroom
- Self-control: hands to self and an awareness of others' personal space
- Self-control: staying within the classroom and within the area of the activity

To assure students' success and in acknowledgement of students' occasional 'bad' days, each MASKs class provides students with opportunities for self-identified passing of turn and/or sitting out to view the work as an attentive, respectful audience member. Such a choice is respected and free from derision from MASKs instructors and students.

After the third (3) session, should a student require specific redirection for his/her behavior more than four (4) times within one class session, the student's parent/caregiver will be notified at pick-up with a specific listing of the above behavior(s) requiring redirection. In addition, an objective observation by additional MASKs staff of the student's behavior during the subsequent session will be scheduled. The parent/caregiver may attend this observation. The student will then be given the opportunity for improved behavior during the next session. MASKs staff may dismiss student from remaining sessions, without refund, based on the student's inability to modify or change behavior and/or if it is demonstrated that the MASKs classroom behavior expectations are not in tandem with the social behavior abilities of the student.