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## COVID-19 RULES AND GUIDELINES

At The Five Star Theatre Company, the safety of our children, staff, parents, volunteers, and patrons is our highest priority. We have created extensive rules and guidelines to ensure a safe return for all. It is important to us that everyone feels comfortable attending our program. We will continue monitoring guidelines and recommendations from the Center for Disease Control. **This plan has been updated with a plan that reflects the best current practices.**

Thank you for reviewing the information below. Having made the decision to return to Five Star, we know you will respect our decision to move forward with care in the hopes that we all have a healthy month of July.

The Five Star Theatre Company understands the decision to get the COVID-19 vaccination is a personal choice, but for the safety of our staff, children, and volunteers, we encourage you to seriously consider being fully vaccinated before our program begins.

### PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

- **All participants must either show proof of being fully vaccinated [please email proof of vaccination prior to June 27] or show a negative COVID test prior to our Monday and Wednesday sessions.**
- If your child does not feel well when they wake up or they have been exposed to COVID-19, we ask that they stay home and that you notify us ASAP.
- Dropoff and pickup will happen under the bridge across from the field house. At this time, only students and staff are permitted in the building during the day. We ask that parents remain in their vehicles.
- If a parent must come inside, a mask is required.

### MASKS/HAND WASHING/SOCIAL DISTANCING

- **All attendees and staff will be required to wear a well-fitting face mask for most of the day.** [Please read the CDC guidelines for approved masks]. Masks must fully cover both the nose and mouth.
- Please have your child have a couple of spare masks in case theirs gets dirty.
- Rehearsals and workshops will be held outside, weather permitting, in which case masks will be optional.
- Staff and attendees may remove masks while actively eating or drinking. We ask that you socially distance, when possible, before removing your mask. *Note: close contacts are identified as individuals who have been within 6 feet of a COVID-19 positive individual while indoors, for at least 15 minutes during a 24-hour period.*
- Hand sanitizer will be provided in each classroom and rehearsal space.
- Signs will be placed in restroom facilities encouraging students and staff to frequently wash their hands.
- If an attendee starts feeling ill during the day, they will immediately be separated from others and parents/guardians will be called to pick them up.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: our facility will be cleaned and disinfected daily using EPA supplies.

## PERFORMANCES

- At this time, the plan is that our performers **will NOT be masked** while on stage during performances.
- If you are not vaccinated, you will need to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test before the dress rehearsal and each performance.
- **Prior to the performance (while getting ready) and at the conclusion of the performance inside the building, we will require everyone to wear their masks.**
- Regardless of vaccine status, all audience members (regardless of age) will be required to wear masks in the building while attending a performance or volunteering. Those who refuse to wear a mask will be asked to leave.
- To reduce the need for patrons to unmask in our spaces, concessions will not be for sale and our performance will not have an intermission.

*We thank you in advance for helping keep your fellow parents and theatre-goers safe!*

## COVID EXPOSURE:

- Please notify the directors immediately if there is a COVID positive result or exposure.
- **Quarantine is NOT required** for an individual who has been within 6 feet of a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more if they have been **fully vaccinated** and are experiencing no symptoms; OR the individual was diagnosed with COVID within the last 3 months and has no symptoms.
- **Quarantine IS required** for someone who have been within 6 feet of a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more if they have **NOT been vaccinated**. If no symptoms occur, the individual must quarantine for **72 hours** following initial exposure and present a negative COVID test after quarantine period before returning to the program.

## IF YOU TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID:

- You must stay home and isolate for 5 days from development of symptoms and must be fever-free for 24 hours before returning. If you are unvaccinated, you must also supply a negative COVID-19 test upon returning to Five Star after your 5 days of quarantine. Once back at Five Star, you must continue wearing your face mask for Days 6-10. Check the CDC website for more details concerning COVID-19 exposure and quarantining.