



COVID-19 Student Guidelines and Requirements **Updated 8/17/2023**

As we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, Seattle JazzED is committed to taking the necessary steps to reduce risks to students and staff. The following policy is informed by guidance and recommendations provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Washington State Department of Health (DOH), and Seattle Public Schools (SPS). This policy will be continuously updated to reflect developments and best practice in science and public health.

Vaccinations

- All students, ages 5 and older, who are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine must be vaccinated to participate in any in-person Seattle JazzED programming.
- Proof of vaccination must be presented prior to attending class for the first time.
 - o Acceptable types of verification include:
 - Copy or photo image of a vaccine card.
 - Must have all required information and signatures.
 - Documentation from a health care provider.
 - State immunization information system records.
- Students and families may submit their verification via:
 - o Email
 - Email address will be provided with individual program registration confirmation.
 - o Text message
 - Include student(s) name and enrolled program in a message to 206-324-5299.
 - o In-person
 - Student (or parent) must present physical documentation prior to entering the classroom.
 - JazzED staff will photocopy documentation to be added to the student's file.

Masks/Bell Covers

- In alignment with updated health guidance from the Washington State Department of Health, Public Health – Seattle & King County, and Seattle Public Schools **masks are optional for students, staff, and teachers during program times within JazzED classrooms.**
 - o JazzED will have disposable masks available in all classrooms.
 - o Bell covers are optional but encouraged for aerosol instruments.
 - o Masks will be encouraged for singers.
 - o Parents and students can purchase a musician’s mask and bell cover though [Amazon](#), [Hickey’s](#), or a local music store such as [Kennelly Keys](#) and [Ted Brown Music](#).
 - o Families who need assistance with obtaining a musician’s mask and/or a bell cover can request one from JazzED at no cost.

COVID-19 Exposure

- Students are required to stay home if:
 - o They have one of the following symptoms:
 - Fever (100.4°F / 38°C or higher)
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - o They have one of the following symptoms AND have been in close contact to someone with COVID-19
 - Fatigue
 - Headache
 - Muscle pain or body aches
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny noses
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
 - o They have been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19
 - Students who have come into close contact of someone with COVID-19 will need to get tested at least 4 days after exposure and provide a negative COVID-19 test result prior to returning to class.
 - Close contact includes anyone in one or more of the following categories:
 - Been within 6ft (2 meters) of a person with COVID-19 for a combined total of 15 minutes or more within a 24-hour period.
 - Lived in the same house as someone with COVID-19.

- A person is still considered a close contact even if one or both people wore a mask when they were together.
 - If there is a positive COVID-19 case within one of our classes, all families with students in the same classroom will be notified. JazzED will work with Public Health - Seattle and King County to manage contact tracing – identifying and informing all individuals that came into close contact with the person diagnosed with COVID-19, and to provide next steps.
- If any of the above applies, students MUST present proof of a negative COVID-19 test result prior to returning to the classroom.

In-Person Rehearsal Protocols and Guidelines

- Physical Distancing
 - Students should maintain at least 2 feet of distance between each other, if possible.
 - Teachers should maintain at least 3 feet of distance between students to the extent reasonable for instructional purposes.
 - i.e., to show proper finger placement, adjust instrument, etc.
- Masks/Bell Covers
 - All requirements must be followed as outlined above.
 - Bell covers are encouraged for wind-blown instruments (i.e., trumpet, saxophone, clarinet, etc.).
- JazzED Classroom and Office Sanitation
 - Classrooms will be cleaned and sanitized each day through the combined effort of all students, teachers, and staff.
 - All classrooms and office spaces will have the following supplies:
 - Disposable masks
 - Hand sanitizer
 - Disinfecting wipes
 - Non-latex gloves
 - Paper towels
 - Tissue paper
 - Anti-bacterial hand soap
- Air Quality
 - Weather permitting, windows will be opened, and fans utilized.

These COVID-19 requirements and guidelines have been created to maintain a safe, and healthy learning environment for all students, teachers, and staff.