

Update March 23, 2022

With the evolving nature of the COVID-19 situation, a lot is changing quickly. We are closely following the published guidance of federal, state and local health authorities and are continuing to assess our policies in light of that guidance as well as the requirements of our venue. We will continue to make decisions that reflect this and to accommodate the health and safety needs of all our CTE families and patrons. Please check this page often for the most up-to-date information.



CTE COVID-19 PROTOCOLS & WAIVER 2022

Creative Theatre Experience (CTE) recognizes that families are living life with COVID-19 with different levels of comfort. We at CTE want to provide the proper balance of comfort and support to give everyone a great experience while following the continually evolving guidance from the Washington State Department of Health and the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department. Following is information detailing how we will provide a safe and healthy CTE experience for our students.

COVID-19 Vaccination Required

In compliance with South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) and Washington Center for the Performing Arts policies, all CTE students and staff will need to provide proof of full COVID-19 vaccination, prior to the start of the CTE season. There will be an opportunity to upload a copy of your student(s)'s vaccination card(s) in the CTE registration software. At the end of the season, the electronic record(s) will be completely deleted by CTE staff.

Additionally, all audience members will be required to provide proof of full COVID-19 vaccination, or a negative COVID test, prior to attending any CTE performances.

Physical Distancing Provisions

CTE will adhere to the current distancing guidelines as prescribed for indoor educational settings provided by the Washington State Department of Health and the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department. We will continue to offer plenty of outside time, as these outdoor activities give students the ability to spread out more and reenergize for other indoor activities.

Face Covering Requirements

As is currently required, all staff members and students will wear face coverings at all times. **No exceptions can be made for this important requirement.**

Face coverings may be removed when eating and drinking and when they can be physically distanced outside.

CTE will adjust and adhere to any changes related to face covering requirements provided by the Washington State Department of Health and the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department or current requirements of SPSCC and Washington Center for the Performing Arts.

Drop-off/Pick-up

Each group will have a designated area for safe and effective drop-off and pick-up. **Anyone aged 2 years or older must wear a face covering during drop-off and pick-up.**

Daily Screening

Parents/guardians must screen students' current health at home daily using CTE's attendance app. They will be asked a few short questions to verify their student is healthy.

All the information to sign up for the app will be sent via email in the weeks leading up to the start of CTE. If you do not have a smartphone a web-based version of the app can be accessed via laptop.

Visitors, Late Drop-off and Early Pick-up

For the continued safety and well-being of CTE students, **CTE will not allow visitors on site.**

Parents/guardians needing to drop-off or pick-up students outside regularly scheduled times must notify CTE staff in advance via email, phone or text. Parents/guardians will check-in at the CTE Office and their student will be escorted to/from their CTE area.

Communication Protocols for Student/Staff Illnesses Related to COVID-19

In the event an individual develops symptoms while on site, a positive test of a family member of a student is reported, or a possible exposure by a family member is reported, CTE will take appropriate action according to guidance from the Washington State Department of Health and the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department. CTE will place a call to, or email, the local health department contact immediately and will follow their directives. CTE will communicate as quickly as possible with both the family of the affected student and others who may have had direct contact with the affected student. **It is crucial parents/guardians contact CTE as soon as possible if your child shows symptoms of COVID-19 or has had a possible exposure.**

If a student or staff member develops signs of COVID-19 while at CTE, CTE staff will separate the person away from others, with supervision of students, until the sick person can leave. CTE will notify our local health department contact and inform the affected student's parents/guardians, or affected staff member, how much time will need to pass before they may return to the program.

Shared Use

Shared materials will be limited to those that are easily cleaned, sanitized and disinfected. Staff will clean and sanitize hands-on materials and equipment after each use. Each student will have a personal use place to store their belongings during the week.

Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures

High touch surfaces will be sanitized regularly throughout the day by staff, and SPSCC's custodial team is working diligently to keep all SPSCC facilities cleaned and sanitized. Areas being used for all activities, including childcare, will be cleaned regularly, with special attention given to high touch surfaces like light switches, countertops, and door handles.

At a minimum, sanitization will happen following daily check-in, after trips to the restrooms, before and after lunch, and whenever shared equipment is used. Cleaning products will meet the standards established by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CTE COVID-19 PROTOCOLS & WAIVER 2022 will continue to be updated as new guidance is shared through the Washington State Department of Health and the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department.

I attest that I have read and understood the above information and I agree to adhere to the health and safety guidelines herein.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Print name

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