

Canadian Children's Theatre Co.

ENHANCED HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS – RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

Please note that this is a living document and is subject to regular updates and changes.

Physical Distancing: Class sizes will be limited in order to promote and maintain physical distancing measures. Markings will be on the studio floors to clearly indicate each participants' personal space while rehearsing. Clear barriers will be utilized during vocal and projection activities. Chairs, floor mats and supplies will be clearly labelled for personal use.

Enhanced Cleaning: In addition to our regular and rigorous cleaning practices, we will be disinfecting high-touch surfaces and bathrooms several times per day and between each class.

Arrival and Departure: Participants will be greeted at the front door by a CCTC representative. Use of our front waiting area will be limited for the time being. We ask that parents please wait outside or in their cars until met by a CCTC representative to either pick up or drop off their child. If you see another family just inside the door, please consider waiting until they have cleared the area before entering. Outdoor shoes must be removed and left at the front door. Participants may bring indoor shoes/slippers. A parent/guardian must be available to respond to screening questions including, but not limited to, if your child or anyone in the household:

- is experiencing any COVID-19 related symptoms
- has been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19
- has travelled outside the country in the past 14 days.

Please note that if we observe or suspect that your child, or any visitor to our facility is symptomatic, we reserve the right to send them home and/or deny participation.

Exceptions: Exceptions to our arrival/departure policy can be made for parents of young children and for parents of children with high needs. We ask that you please contact us in advance to make these arrangements. If you wish, we can set up a time prior to the start of programs for you to visit our studios with your child so that everyone feels comfortable.

Self-Monitor: As always, we ask that participants stay home if they have a fever or are feeling unwell.

Hand Washing & Sanitizing: We insist that all children and visitors wash their hands thoroughly or sanitize their hands upon arrival. We will continue to encourage coughing or sneezing into a bent elbow or tissue and washing with soap and water immediately after.

Personal Belongings: We ask that participants limit the amount of personal belongings that they bring to the studio. Where possible, please leave items in the car. Participants will be given specific and labeled areas to place their belongings during class.

Costumes, Props and Craft Materials: All costumes will be steamed and quarantined after use (similar to clothing store policies). Props will be cleaned and sanitized between each use. Single-use crafts will be utilized where possible. All others will be cleaned and sanitized between each use.

Mask Policy: In accordance with the Region of York's *Mandatory Use of Face Masks and Coverings*, we ask that all patrons aged 5 and up wear a mask or covering while visiting our studio if they are able. Masks may be removed during physical activity and while eating and drinking.

Program-Ending Performances: At this time, and until further notice, we will not be holding live program-ending performances with an audience at the studio. We will instead be filming their performances during their second last class (typically dress rehearsal week). During the final class (typically performance day), performers will attend their 'movie premiere' and watch their performance together. This will then be shared with family in digital and/or DVD format.

In Closing: Please know that if your child needs assistance that requires close physical contact or comfort it will not be denied due to the rigorous health and safety guidelines in place. The instructor will wash their hands prior to contact, will wear a mask and will wash their hands again after helping your child, and prior to interaction with other children. Your child's physical, mental and emotional well-being will always be our first priority.