

Duluth Playhouse Summer Camps Safety and Health Protocols based on the recommendations from the MN Department of Health and CDC

Ratios:

- 1:9 - classes will consist of a maximum of 9 students with one teacher.

Health Checks

- Staff will emphasize and provide education to families about the importance of daily health checks, monitoring symptoms, and staying at home while ill.
- If students or staff have flu-like symptoms, or are feeling unwell, they must stay home.
- Staff will monitor their own health and stay home if symptoms arise. Backup staff and plans have been put in place in case of illness.
- A satellite location has been created for first aid, medical distribution, and temperature checks.
- Temperature checks will be done at the start of each youth class upon entering.
- If a child or staff member becomes ill during programming, the staff/student will be isolated and sent home. The area/room will also be cleared and sanitized thoroughly before use.
- Classes will resume online in a situation where camp is shut down.

Social Distancing:

- Program space has been modified: Areas are taped off to follow the 6-feet of social distancing policy.
- Common areas will have limited access.
- Curriculum and scripts are being created to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

Child Drop-Off & Pick-Up:

- Sanitizing stations have been set up at every entrance and every classroom for parents and students to use prior to entering rehearsal spaces and the adjoining lobby.
- Designated doors are assigned for entering and exiting to reduce door traffic.
- Anyone picking up a student must be on the authorized pickup list.
- Drop off and pick up times will be staggered to minimize traffic flow.

Cleaning:

- Before and after each class a routine for cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting surfaces, and frequently touched equipment is in place.
- EPA - registered disinfectants recommended by the CDC will be used.
- All cleaning materials will be kept in a secure location out of reach of children.
- Cleaning products will not be used near children, and staff will ensure adequate ventilation when using these products.
- High touch surfaces, such as doorknobs, stair railings, countertops, program equipment and other items will be regularly cleaned and disinfected.
- Bathrooms will be fully stocked with hand washing supplies and will be regularly cleaned.

- Classroom supplies will not be shared when possible and regularly cleaned.

Best Practices

- **Washing Hands & Hand Sanitizer:** Routines are in place for participants to wash hands upon entering and leaving spaces.
- **Water Bottles:** Drinking fountains will have limited access and be regularly cleaned. We encourage students to bring their own water bottles.
- **FOOD:** There will be no sharing of food or drinks.
- Daily habits to cover your coughs and sneezes will be enforced. Always cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and throw it away in the trash.
- Daily Habits to not touch your face will be modeled and practiced.

Masks

- Staff are required to wear cloth face coverings/masks during all camp sessions.
- Students are required to wear cloth face coverings/masks whenever possible. (The transmission of Covid is increased through projection and singing, so we are requiring all students wear masks)
- Masks will be available to purchase if students or staff do not have their own.
- The rehearsal space ventilation system is up to date, and will be constantly running to keep air flowing and clean.

Showcases

- Final showcase will be done online. Family and friends can tune in to their specific showcase. Times and links will be sent out at the start of camp.

RESOURCES from the Center of Disease Control (CDC) and the MN Department of Health

- [MN Department of Health: Guidance for Social Distancing in Youth Programs](#)
- [CDC: Childcare, Schools and Youth Programs](#)
- [Implementation of Mitigation Strategies](#)
- [Groups at Higher Risk](#)
- [Mask Recommendations](#)
- [Hand Hygiene](#)
- [Screening Process](#)
- [COVID-19 Exclusion Guidelines](#)
- [Cleaning and Disinfecting Guidelines](#)