



HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

This policy will be regularly reviewed and updated as conditions change in accordance with Taproot Theatre's Jewell Mainstage, Seattle Public Schools, King County, WA DOH, and CDC guidelines.

As of May 1, 2023 and subject to change, Taproot's Acting Studio no longer requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination or regular negative COVID tests during the week for students enrolled in our in-person programs.

ACTING STUDIO PERFORMANCE PROCEDURES

- At this time, we will have no guest limits for students. Depending on class size and seat availability, this may change and will be announced prior to camp starting.
- We will not be requiring masks, proof of vaccination, or negative COVID-19 tests for audience members. This is subject to change based on city and county recommendations. Taproot's Acting Studio supports anyone who chooses to wear a mask in our space.

MASK POLICIES

Masking will be optional for students. Taproot's Acting Studio welcomes and encourages students to continue wearing a well-fitted mask if that is their preference. Taproot will have masks available.

Masking policies are subject to change based on the following:

- If one or more individuals test positive for COVID-19, all students in that camp/class must wear well-fitting masks inside the building (when not actively eating or drinking) for the next ten days following exposure.
- If three or more individuals test positive for COVID-19 within three consecutive days, all students, regardless of camp/class, will be required to wear well-fitting masks inside the building (when not actively eating or drinking) for the next ten days following the most recent exposure.

OTHER THINGS TAPROOT IS DOING TO KEEP STUDENTS AND FAMILIES SAFE

- All Taproot staff and teaching artists will be required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- Students will be asked to wash and sanitize their hands frequently.
- Enhanced air quality measures have been implemented.

POSITIVE COVID-19 EXPOSURE AND TESTING

If a student develops symptoms of COVID-19 at camp:

- If an individual presents COVID-19 symptoms during camp as [outlined by the CDC](#), that individual will **immediately** isolate with a Taproot staff member in a designated area. The student must be picked up by an approved guardian and may not return to camp for the

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remainder of the day. For subsequent camp days, the student may return if they display no symptoms, receive a negative COVID test, and complete a health screening assessment.

If a student receives a positive COVID-19 test result:

- A parent/guardian should notify the Acting Studio immediately. Acting Studio staff will notify any individuals who came into close contact with the student. Taproot will keep all personal information anonymous.
- The student should stay home and isolate for a minimum of five days from the date of the positive test result or five days from symptom onset. If the student develops symptoms after testing positive, the five-day isolation period should start over. Day 0 is the first day of symptoms. Please follow universal masking, physical distancing, and hand hygiene while in isolation. Family and roommates who are unable to distance from the student should wear a mask and wear eye protection to minimize any additional exposure risk.
- The student may return to Taproot on or after day six from the onset of symptoms **IF**:
 - The student has isolated for a minimum of five days from symptom onset or positive test, whichever is earlier, **AND**
 - Symptoms have significantly resolved ([click here for a complete list of symptoms](#)), **AND**
 - The student has been fever-free for at least 24 hours without taking fever-reducing medications

If a student has been exposed to COVID-19:

- The student does not need to stay home unless they develop symptoms ([click here for a complete list of symptoms](#)).
- The student will be required to wear a well-fitting mask in all class locations for ten days after exposure.
- Parent/guardians should monitor symptoms for at least five days. Even if the student does not develop symptoms, it is recommended to get tested five days after exposure.

If exposure and isolation happen prior to the start of camp, Taproot will offer an exchange into a different in-person session.

If a student tests positive or is exposed to COVID-19, please contact the Manager of Education & Outreach **immediately**:

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Questions about Taproot's Acting Studio Procedures? Email us at studio@taproottheatre.org or call 206.529.3668.

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How to Submit a COVID-19 Home or Over-the-Counter Test Result

Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio accepts over-the-counter (OTC) COVID-19 tests for students taking Acting Studio programs.

A photo of the negative test result may be emailed to the Acting Studio office at studio@taproottheatre.org or the photo can be shown at check-in by a parent or guardian.

Please do not bring physical test cards to the building.

On the test card, write (or provide in an email) the following information (example below):

- The first and last name of the person tested
- The test date (test should be taken prior to coming to building)

Test result lines must be clearly visible in the photograph.

If the lines are not visible the test results will not be accepted.

