# THE REPERTORY THEATRE OF ST. LOUIS

# **CAMP COVID SAFETY GUIDELINES**

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## **Regulatory Environment**

The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis will only proceed with the plan described below if permitted by applicable state and local regulations.

State of Missouri: This plan is developed in alignment with the guidelines of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services' *Show Me Strong* Business Pledge.

St. Louis County: This plan has incorporated the St. Louis County public health orders and reopening guidelines for entertainment venues.

City of Webster Groves: The city of Webster Groves has not issued any regulatory directives regarding COVID-19, beyond the St. Louis county directives.

Camp Rep will occur in the East Academic Building on Webster University's campus and within the Loretto Hilton Center. When work takes place in these venues, The Rep's COVID safety guidelines will be implemented *in addition to* any other procedures that Webster has in place.

### **Health and Safety Personnel**

Dr. Stephen Liang and Dr. Joseph Cherabie of Washington University Medical School's Infectious Disease department have served as medical advisors in the development of this plan. They will also be available on an ongoing basis in a consulting capacity as the public health situation evolves.

The Rep's health and safety team will facilitate testing and contact tracing during Camp Rep sessions.

#### **Terms and Definitions**

Close Contact: Interaction within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.

Confirmed COVID-19 Case: Person who has tested positive for COVID-19.

*High-Contact Areas*: tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.

*Probable COVID-19 Case*: Person showing symptoms of COVID-19 and/or high risk of exposure, but without confirmatory laboratory evidence.

*Proper Hand Hygiene*: When possible, washing hands with soap and water, lather the backs of hands, between fingers, and under nails. Scrub hands for at least 20 seconds. When hand washing is not available, using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Rub the gel over all the surfaces of hands and fingers until hands are dry. This should take around 20 seconds.

*Social Distancing*: Maintaining a minimum distance of 6 feet between individuals. Applies in outdoor and indoor spaces, including interactions during which individuals are wearing masks.

Camper: This includes the actual registered camper, and that camper's immediate family.

## **General Facility Maintenance & Procedures**

# Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Disinfectant wipes and touchless sanitation stations will be provided near all high-contact surfaces including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- Trash bins dedicated to the disposal of PPE (gloves, masks, wipes) will be placed throughout common areas of all buildings.
- Procedure Signs will be posted throughout all buildings
- Facility Hygiene Signs in common areas disinfecting wipe procedures for high traffic areas, etc.
- Entry and Exit Signs to create separate points for entry and exit
- Clear Traffic Flow Signs through each building
- Proper Use of PPE Signs masks should be worn over both nose and mouth, how to remove single-use gloves, etc.
- Access Signage/Blocking off areas rehearsal areas, meeting room, etc
- Physical Distancing (6 foot rule) Reminder Signs
- Masks required
- As possible, doors will remain open within facilities throughout the day to promote contact free travel in all buildings.
- Disinfecting fogger will be used to deep sanitize porous and non-porous surfaces. The product will be VitalOxide, used with an electrostatic sprayer.
- Routine cleaning will include wiping down all high-contact areas listed above.

#### **HVAC**

- All HVAC units in the rehearsal halls have MERV13 filters.
- With Webster's settings, there are 2-3 air exchanges per hour.

# East Academic Building 50% Room Capacity

Classroom 1: 20 people (18 students, 2 teachers) Classroom 2: 20 people (18 students, 2 teachers)

#### **Administrative Staff Procedures**

## Contact Tracing

- Every in-person classroom teacher will have a daily attendance sheet. Counselors must mark that campers are in the classroom.
- Every Rep employee working on site should keep a careful log of any close contact they may have with any other Rep employee or camper each day.
- If a Rep employee or camper presents with symptoms of COVID-19, individuals who are known to have come into close contact (as defined above) with the individual should self-isolate until the individual with symptoms has received test results. If a Rep employee or camper tests positive for COVID-19, individuals who are known to have come into close contact with the individual must be tested.

## **COVID-19 Testing**

- Staff members will get tested before returning to work and send their negative test to the Camp Director.
- In order to perform unmasked during the showcase performance, campers must be tested during the final two days of their camp session, regardless of vaccination status. Tests will be provided by The Rep.
- We strongly encourage ALL campers to test at one of the Nomi Health locations the week of the camp performance to mitigate any exposure to COVID. Appointments can easily be made at: https://nomihealth.com/mo/.

#### **Physical Distancing**

- Maintain a distance of at least 6 ft. radius from others at all times when possible.
- If speaking loudly or singing, maintain a distance of at least 20 ft. radius from others at all times.

#### **Hand Washing and Disinfection**

- Staff Members and campers are advised to wash (with soap and water) or sanitize (with disinfectant) their hands regularly throughout the day.
- The Rep will have hand sanitizing stations at key entry points to buildings and hand sanitizer available in all build spaces.

#### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

• All Rep personnel will provide their own face mask without an exhalation valve. Adequate face coverings must be worn over the nose and mouth and fit securely around the face. All persons entering any building must wear a face mask. Additional masks will also be supplied in case a camper requires a mask.

- Medical masks are single use. Masks must be at least 3-layers (preferably an N95 or KN95). No cloth masks will be allowed.
- Campers should bring extra masks each day in case theirs is in need of replacement.
- Proper hand hygiene must be used before and after touching a mask.
- While not wearing this mask (for meals or taking a mask break in isolation), masks should be allowed to dry in a paper bag.
- If face shields are required, they will be provided by The Rep.

#### **Onsite Arrival:**

- Parents will drop off campers in front of the Loretto-Hilton Center.
- Counselors will sign in students each day.
- Parents are not permitted to enter the facility except for the showcase performance.
- Designated staff will escort campers into building.

#### Dismissal:

- Campers will be dismissed by class.
- They will be escorted to the curb and will wait for parents and guardians to pick them there.
- Counselors will sign them out when they have been picked up.

## **Space Usage**

- The Rep will place entry and exit signs to create separate points for entry and exit.
- The Rep will post Proper Use of PPE Signs
- Physical Distancing Reminder Signs will be posted
- As possible, doors will remain open within facilities throughout the day to promote contact free travel in all buildings.
- The Rep Staff Members will maintain a clean and sanitized environment by engaging in the following procedures:
  - Disinfectant wipes and sanitation stations will be provided by The Rep in common areas such as main entrances, hallways, breakroom and near any high-contact areas.
  - Routine cleaning will include wiping down all high touch areas in classrooms and restrooms

#### **Pod Behavior Outside of Camp**

- Staff and campers are expected to follow social distancing guidelines and wear masks in any public space, even when not at Camp Rep. For example, in grocery stores, at the park, and interacting with others in the community.
- Staff and campers are expected to minimize potential exposure to COVID by only spending time in public spaces when necessary. (For example, grocery shopping or picking up food, but limiting play dates, etc.)

#### **Additional Procedures**

### **Showcase**

• Only 2 family members per camper can attend the event. Only (2) showcase tickets will be issued for each camper.

# **Minimal-Contact Ticketing**

- All patrons must show proof of full vaccination against Covid-19 and a valid photo ID to enter the performance space. If not fully vaccinated, patrons must show negative test results from a PCR test taken within 72 hours of the showcase or a rapid antigen test taken within 24 hours of the showcase.
- All patrons must wear a mask to enter the showcase. If someone arrives without a mask, The Rep will provide a disposable mask. If an individual is unwilling to wear a mask, they will not be permitted entry.
- Masks must remain on at all times during the showcase.

# Performance Space

- Clear signs, rope and stanchions, and floor stickers in the lobby will indicate traffic flow and proper social distancing.
- No concessions will be sold.
- Families will be socially distanced when seated. Families will be seated together and distanced 6 feet from others.