Cadets Arts & Entertainment
COVID-19 Protocol for 2022 Camp Events

Depending on what is going on with the pandemic, these protocols may change.

Statement on Vaccinations & Booster Shots

All Participants must be fully vaccinated prior to arrival at their first in person event. Any of the vaccines currently available are acceptable whether 1 dose or 2.

If a Booster shot is available based on the CDC guidelines you should get your booster shot.

A COVID-19 vaccination record card that you received when vaccinated will be required to verify vaccination.

Testing Protocol

If you are not vaccinated prior to each in person camp all participants will be required to submit a verified negative PCR COVID-19 virus test administered within 72 hours prior to arrival at any in-person event.

Personal interaction guidelines and pre-arrival protocols

The following guidelines are intended to help each participant take the steps necessary to minimize risk of virus exposure prior to arrival, and while with The Cadets.

Step 1: Pre-travel testing (2-3 days before leaving, only if not vaccinated)

- Get a PCR COVID-19 test and have the results at least 72 hours prior to arrival.
- If your results are positive, immediately self-quarantine and reach out to The Cadets to let us know. If this happens, you will not be able to participate until all pre-arrival requirements are met including a 10-day self-sequestration and a negative PCR COVID-19 test within 72 hours prior to arrival.

Step 2: Travel to Corps

- If your results are negative, travel following CDC guidance, wearing a widely available disposable surgical mask or a cloth mask with at least two layers, as well as (optional) eye protection at all times when indoors with crowds and on planes, trains, buses or other enclosed vehicles.
- Regularly clean your hands with a 70% alcohol-based hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, or soap and water (soap and water is best, if available). Use antibacterial wipes on your seat, tray table, armrest, and other areas around you during your travel.

Step 3: With Corps

- All non-vaccinated participants will be tested upon arrival to any in person event.
• Do not share objects that are passed back and forth, like brass instruments, guard equipment, drumsticks, etc. If anything does have to be shared, make sure those items are regularly cleaned and disinfected.
• Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds before and after preparing, serving, and eating food.
• If you develop any COVID-19 symptoms or are notified that you were in close contact with someone who tested positive, immediately tell the appropriate Cadets staff.

**General guidelines for The Cadets relative to in-person interaction**

The following general guidelines are intended to assist The Cadets in making sure that all participants have the information, equipment and support they need to minimize risk of virus exposure.

• Limit all interaction with personnel outside the corps “bubble.” No in-person visits by family or friends.

**Housing**

**Schools**

• Larger spaces will be utilized for rehearsal and sleeping facilities in order to facilitate social distancing.
• Sleeping - all beds will be set up 6 feet apart and every other person sleeping opposite (head to foot sleeping)

**Rehearsal**

• Implement daily protocols for cleaning and sanitizing equipment
• No sharing of equipment.
• All rehearsals will be closed.

**Management of meal distribution**

Distributing meals to the participants of The Cadets will be a critical component to operating a safer and more protected environment. There are many “touch points” that offer potential for spreading contamination that should be addressed.

• Food Serving to participants – In all cases, the distribution of food and food items will involve standard protocols that include proper hand washing just prior to serving, wearing a clean glove, and performed by an individual that has been instructed on how to properly do so.
  o Self Serve meals will require to be served with a gloved hand.
  o Hand washing prior to meals – This will be required as part of all pre-meal routines with proper hand washing techniques.
    ▪ Science states that warm water of 100 degrees for 20 seconds is preferred for optimal results, so warm water is preferential over cold.
    ▪ Hand sanitizer (70% alcohol) amount is recommended in addition to, not in lieu of hand washing.
  o Water Jugs & Sanitation – Students and staff will need to sanitize their large water jugs regularly over the course of the tour.
    ▪ Group washing stations will not be possible.
Individual washing of jugs will be handled by prescribing a system of a pre-packed individual Dawn dish soap bottle, sponge, and straw brush for each member to be brought on tour. Daily jug washing will, then, be managed on the member’s own schedule.

**Contact Tracing**

If any participant tests positive at any point during the season, The Cadets will contact the local health department in the specific location of the positive test to discuss contact tracing and other public health measures or requirements.

To assist the local health department in the contact tracing process, The Cadets will be prepared to provide the following information:

- Name & contact information of any person that might have come into contact with the individual who tested positive. A contact is someone who was within six feet of an infected individual for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.
- Vehicle seat assignments that indicate who might have been travelling near the individual who tested positive.
- Housing/sleeping information that indicates who may have been sleeping near the individual who tested positive, including who might have shared a hotel room with that person (when applicable).
- Scheduling information that indicates who might have been rehearsing or working in the direct vicinity of the person that tested positive.

**Protocols for participants that test positive to COVID-19 or with symptoms of COVID-19**

- If a participant is ill but symptoms are NOT suggestive of COVID-19, and they have not been in close contact with an individual with known COVID-19, they will be managed by the corps medical team as per established procedure.

- Management of participants symptomatic for COVID-19:
  - If a participant is ill and symptoms ARE suggestive of COVID-19 (based on symptoms as currently defined by the CDC), they must be evaluated at a hospital emergency department (ED), urgent care (UC) clinic, or a telehealth (TH) provider associated with a local COVID-19 testing center. Transportation of the individual to the evaluation must be provided in a manner that provides the least possible exposure to those in the same vehicle.

**FOR THOSE WITH NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST RESULTS BUT WITH COVID-19 SYMPTOMS:**

- The individual must maintain quarantine until they:
  - Are no longer symptomatic
  - Have had a minimum of two negative COVID-19 tests with the second one being performed a minimum of 5 days after exposure or onset of symptoms
  - Be evaluated by a medical provider at a local ED, UC or TH who can provide medical clearance for a return to participation.
FOR THOSE WITH POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST RESULTS:

If a participant is symptomatic of COVID-19 or has been in “close contact,” and receives a positive COVID-19 test result, no additional testing will be done.

If a participant is asymptomatic or was not in “close contact” and has a positive result, the test can be repeated within 2 days with another viral test (RT-PCR or antigen) to rule out a false positive. If the second test is positive, the participant is considered to have a positive test. If the second test is negative (with no symptoms), then the participant is considered negative.

- Participants who test positive for COVID-19 (with repeat testing, if done) must end their current participation in the corps. Allocation of cost for housing and responsibility for observation and meals in the quarantine location will be the responsibility of the participant (or family in the event of a minor) beyond 72 hours.
- If a participant tests positive for COVID-19, they must be quarantined at a predetermined designated quarantine site and managed by personnel from The Cadets who are provided with all the appropriate PPE needed to care for that COVID-19 positive individual.
- Symptomatic COVID-19 positive participants will be evaluated by a TH provider at least once (or more often as indicated) during their quarantine. The Cadets medical team member providing care for that participant during quarantine should be present on that TH call via computer.
- Quarantine care will include 4 hour checks while awake with the affected participant which will be done virtually between the hours of 9 AM and 9 PM. More frequent visits will be determined based on the severity of the symptoms.
- The participant must do a CDC Coronavirus “self-checker” once daily and report that result as well as temperature and pulse oximetry to The Cadets medical team member responsible for monitoring the quarantined participant.
- Meals, etc. will be delivered to the door in a safe manner which does not expose the person providing delivery.
- If there is concern for that individual’s safety, because the individual is reporting trouble breathing, chest pain or pressure, confusion, loss of consciousness, bluish hue to the lips or face, blood oxygen level less than 94% or any other concerning symptoms as defined by the CDC, that individual must be taken to the nearest hospital for further evaluation and management.
- In the event the COVID-19 positive patient is a minor, the corps will involve the parent or guardian in all decisions regarding care. A TH visit with a healthcare provider will happen within 24 hours of a positive test result, or sooner as symptoms indicate. The designated care provider from The Cadets will provide parents with a minimum of 2 daily updates.
- Depending on the time of the season and pending full recovery from COVID-19, a reentry evaluation can be had to rejoin the Corps for the remaining part of the season. A negative COVID-19 PCR test will be required.

These recommendations are based on the following assumptions:

- Every participant has active health insurance which allows the participant access to care in the locations in which The Cadets are traveling for the entire duration of their participation. It is strongly recommended that every participant must have a designated primary care provider and access to telemedicine within their insurance network.
• Member contracts will state that The Cadets will not be responsible for care beyond 72 hours if the participant becomes COVID-19 positive.
• All participants must come to any in-person event with a thermometer and pulse oximeter and utilize these devices daily.