



Health and Safety Policy

The health and safety of our audience, students, artists and staff is our highest priority. At this time, here are our COVID-19 health and safety policies. We reserve the right to alter or change these policies, in whole or in part, without advance notice.

AUDIENCES

- We are not requiring proof of Covid vaccination.
- Masks are optional in the lobby and inside the theater.

STAFF & STUDENTS

Since reopening in September 2022 Philly Improv Theater is a fully vaccinated workplace. This includes full and part-time staff, performers, and production teams.

- Students are not required to provide proof of Covid vaccination.
- Masks are optional in the classroom, lobby, and inside the theater.

WHEN TO STAY HOME

- All Students, full and part-time staff, performers, and production teams are requested to stay home if they are experiencing any COVID/COVID like/upper respiratory symptoms including but not limited to:
 - Fever
 - Sore Throat
 - Dry Cough
 - Tiredness
 - Loss of taste or smell.

Less common symptoms include aches and pains, headache, sore throat, red or irritated eyes, diarrhea, a skin rash or discolouration of fingers or toes.

[CURRENT CDC Guidelines around testing, and quarantine guidance may be found by clicking this link.](#)

Broadly, the current guidelines are below. *There are many variations to the above. Please follow the link above and follow the procedure that is closest to your personal situation or as recommended by a medical professional.*

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

- Keep up to date on the latest information from trusted sources, such as WHO or your local and national health authorities. Local and national authorities and public health units are best placed to advise on what people in your area should be doing to protect themselves.

Even if what you are experiencing is *not* COVID it remains a courtesy to keep your illness confined to yourself and not spread it to others.

WHEN TO RETURN TO THE TRAINING CENTER

- When you can show evidence a negative COVID-19 test from the past 72 hours

WHEN TO WEAR A MASK TO THE TRAINING CENTER

The City of Philadelphia determined in April of 2022 that masks are no longer required in public spaces. Private businesses set their own regulations regarding the wearing of masks.

- Masks are optional but strongly encouraged when experiencing or returning from an illness such as “the common cold” or similar “common upper respiratory illness” where you are demonstrating active symptoms (eg: coughing, sneezing, runny nose)

The Senior Leadership team continues to monitor guidelines from health agencies and officials, and these policies are subject to change based on recommendations or mandates by the City of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the CDC, and the [COVID-19 Guidelines for Philadelphia Regional Theatres](#).

Philly Improv Theater reserves the right to update / change / alter this policy in whole or in part at any time without advance notification.