

COVID-19 Guidelines for Theatre Arts Camp participants

Here you can find a brief summary of the precautions that will be taken at the Stratford Festival Theatre Arts Camps this summer to protect campers and staff from the spread of COVID-19. A complete list will be made available prior to the start and during camps in the form of a COVID-19 Safety Manual. There may be changes to these precautions as provincial and regional public health recommendations are adjusted.

Before Arriving at Camp

- We ask that campers attending camp make an effort to limit possible exposure to COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible 5 days prior to arrival at camp.
- All campers will be sent two Rapid Antigen Tests to be taken 48 hours and 24 hours prior to arrival at camp. Test results will need to be photographed and submitted to our COVID Compliance team prior to admittance to camp.
- The Government of Ontario recommends that all campers in attendance become vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as they are eligible. Proof of vaccination will not be required.

Arrival at Camp

- Campers must be actively screened for COVID-19 symptoms and possible exposure prior to arriving at camp.
- Parents and guardians will be asked not to enter the camp/lodging when dropping off or picking up campers unless it is determined there is a need to do so.
- Arrival and departure times will be staggered to support cohorting and physical distancing.

During Camp

- Proper care will be taken to clean and disinfect shared equipment and high touch surfaces.
- Campers will be instructed on proper hand and respiratory hygiene practices, and hand sanitizer will be made available if handwashing stations are not close by.
- Campers will be divided into cohorts for activities and lodging to minimize potential outbreaks.
- Physical distancing will be required whenever indoors with visitors or individuals of different cohorts.
- Masking will be required for any indoor activities, with the exception of eating, drinking, and the final presentation. Additional disposable 3-ply masks will be available for campers when masks become wet/soiled.
- Campers will have overnight accommodations in either single or double rooms, and will be required to remain masked when in hallways or common areas while at the lodging location.
- Campers are asked to bring a reusable water bottle.
- Eating tables will be placed in a way that ensures distancing between campers of different cohorts, and meals may be eaten outside if weather permits.
- Staff will be required to follow safe food handling practices and ensure that utensils and other items are kept and dispensed in a manner to prevent cross-contamination.
- Transportation to and from camp will be arranged in a manner to maintain distance between cohorts of campers/staff and the operator of the bus. Masking will be required during travel, and eating and drinking will be discouraged. Campers will be actively screened for COVID-19 symptoms prior to boarding the bus.
- Campers will be instructed on how to self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and to inform a staff member immediately if they start to develop relevant symptoms. Campers who develop relevant symptoms will be required to return home for a minimum of 5 days. A decision will be made as to whether or not the camper has missed too much while away to be able to return and participate in the final presentation.