



# COVID-19 Policies

as of March 10, 2022

**Our mission has always been to bring our students a safe and welcoming environment that includes providing the highest quality performing experiences.** We remain committed to providing a safe environment while adhering to local, state, and federal guidelines as well as the latest research on best performing practices. And, we have always looked forward to returning to normal performing activities as quickly as possible in a thoughtful, responsible manner that is considerate of all perspectives.

As the country sees overall declines in cases and hospitalizations due to COVID-19, TPAC has updated our health and safety protocols per guidance from the [Marion County Public Health Department](#), the [Indiana Department of Health](#), and the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#). **TPAC's protocols are subject to change based on new guidance.**

In light of updated mask optional policies that went into effect on March 2, 2022, our leadership team and team have decided to make **masks optional** due to the recent changes and updates from the health departments/organizations listed above. Many schools in central Indiana moved to mask optional on February 28, 2022.

## **Here are the key elements of the new COVID-19 Guidelines:**

- **Masks will no longer be required as of Sunday, March 13, 2022.** All TPAC rehearsal venues are **mask optional**. Any performer who would like to wear a mask is welcome to do so.
- **Students will not be required to wear masks in rehearsal spaces or upon entering or exiting any of our rehearsal locations.**
- TPAC recommends wearing a properly fitted mask if you choose to wear a mask during rehearsals as these masks have been shown to provide extra protection even while singing near unmasked individuals.
- TPAC will continue with our sanitizing protocols including, regular fresh air breaks, and the sanitizing of the rooms.
- Currently, there is spacing between performers in rehearsals and performances, which will continue.
- **The quarantine requirements for those who have been exposed to or have tested positive for Covid-19 will still be in effect according to the current [CDC Guidelines](#). Students who are unwell should not come to rehearsal.**
- We will continue to diligently monitor the safety of students and team and will respond as needed. **Should it be necessary to reinstitute wearing masks we will do so. Additionally, if any of our venues for rehearsals or performances change their policy, we will ensure that we make students and families aware of those changes.**



If you or a member of your family suspects exposure to COVID-19 during the present dance session take the following measures:

- Report possible exposure to The Performing Arts Conservatory at [admin@tpacindy.org](mailto:admin@tpacindy.org).
- Performer may continue coming to rehearsal unless a member of your family tests positive for COVID-19

If you or a member of your family tests positive for COVID-19, performer may be required to sit out until the end of quarantine.

**The Performing Arts Conservatory Safety Measures:** We provide a safe environment for our performers and take safety measures of the Studio very seriously. Our efforts to maintain a safe environment include the following:

- TPAC is cleaned and sanitized by professional cleaning staff.
- Sanitizing areas between classes.
- Non-performers (including parents and siblings) are not permitted beyond the lobby of The Performing Arts Conservatory at this time, the break room, hallways, and lobby will be closed to the general public during classes at this time.
- Performers must bring a water bottle from home.

Parents and Guardians refer to our website [www.tpacindy.com](http://www.tpacindy.com) regularly for updates and important information regarding COVID-19 procedures and policies.

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### **DROP OFF / PICK UP GUIDELINES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**

- We do not permit parents, guardians, siblings to enter TPAC at this time. Stay in car or outside during rehearsals.
- For traffic flow safety; car lines may not be formed in front of studio doors. Please utilize a parking lot available.

#### **Drop Off Guidelines:**

- Please park in north parking lot and walk student to front of building onto sidewalk.
- TPAC doors open 10 minutes prior to start of rehearsal.
- All students must enter building in a single file line, minding social distancing, each student will have temperature taken upon entry into building.
- All students must have their mask on upon their arrival at the door.
- We cannot guarantee admittance into the building, If you are late to rehearsal please call 317.964-3299<sup>Ⓢ</sup> to speak with a member at the front desk for admittance, if the late arrival is within 10 minutes from start time of class.

#### **Pick Up Guidelines:**

- At dismissal of rehearsal, students will be escorted out of the building promoting social distancing while awaiting pick up.
- If inclement weather, all students will practice social distancing in lobby or rehearsal area.
- Students will not be permitted to leave and re-enter the building during scheduled rehearsal time.
- If your student is not visible to you at dismissal; please call 317-964-3299<sup>Ⓢ</sup> or call the student's cell phone if applicable.