

# Canadian Children's Theatre Co.

## ENHANCED HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS – DAY CAMP PROGRAMS

*Please note that this is a living document and is subject to regular updates and changes.*

**Physical Distancing:** Weekly cohort sizes will be based on age in accordance with the Province of Ontario guidelines and in order to promote and maintain physical distancing measures. There will only be one cohort in our facility per week. Markings will be on the studio floors to clearly indicate each participants' personal space during camp activities. Chairs, floor mats and supplies will be clearly labelled for personal use. Clear barriers will be utilized during vocal and projection activities. We are fortunate to have Sheppard's Bush right out our back door and we will be making more use of that beautiful outdoor space throughout our daily activities whenever possible.

**Enhanced Cleaning:** In addition to our regular and rigorous cleaning practices prior to the start of each camp day, we will be disinfecting high-touch surfaces throughout the day.

**Arrival and Departure:** We will be extending our drop-off and pick-up times to limit the number of families in our reception area. Children can be dropped off between 8:45am and 9:00am. Children can be picked up between 4:00pm and 4:15pm. If you see another family just inside the door, please consider waiting until they have cleared the area before entering. Please note that parents/guardians will not be permitted past the reception area.

Outdoor shoes must be removed and left at the front door. Participants may bring indoor shoes/slippers. A parent/guardian must be available to respond to screening questions including, but not limited to, if your child or anyone in the household:

- is experiencing any COVID-19 related symptoms
- has been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19
- has travelled outside the country in the past 14 days.

Please note that if we observe or suspect that your child, or any visitor to our facility is symptomatic, we reserve the right to send them home and/or deny participation.

**Exceptions:** Exceptions to our arrival/departure policy can be made for parents of young children and for parents of children with high needs. We ask that you please contact us in advance to make these arrangements. If you wish, we can set up a time prior to the start of programs for you to visit our studios with your child so that everyone feels comfortable.

**Self-Monitor:** As always, we ask that participants stay home if they have a fever or are feeling unwell.

**Hand Washing & Sanitizing:** We insist that all children and visitors wash their hands thoroughly or sanitize their hands upon arrival. We ask that each child bring their own portable hand sanitizer to be utilized when we are outside. We will continue to encourage coughing or sneezing into a bent elbow or tissue and washing with soap and water immediately after. Children will also be directed to wash their hands before and after eating.

**Mask Policy:** We ask that each child wear a mask indoors at camp if they are able. Wearing a mask will not be necessary when we are outside, during rigorous physical activity, while eating/drinking, or during the filming of performances.

**Personal Belongings:** We ask that participants limit the amount of personal belongings that they bring with them. Participants will be given labeled and distanced areas to place their belongings while at camp.

**Sunscreen:** Sunscreen should be applied prior to arrival at camp. If you send sunscreen to camp for reapplication, please ensure that it is in a form that your child can apply themselves, or with minimal assistance.

**Costumes, Props and Craft Materials:** All costumes will be quarantined and/or steamed after use (similar to clothing store policies). Props will be cleaned and sanitized between each use. Single-use crafts will be utilized where possible. All others will be cleaned and sanitized between each use.

**Program-Ending Performances (if applicable):** At this time, and until further notice, we will not be holding live program-ending performances with an audience at the studio or at a theatre. We will instead be filming their performances. This will then be shared with family in digital and/or DVD format.

**In Closing:** Please know that if your child needs assistance that requires close physical contact (first aid, application of a band-aid, assistance with sunscreen, food spill, toileting accident, etc.) it will not be denied due to the rigorous health and safety guidelines in place. The instructor will wash their hands prior to contact, will wear a mask and will wash their hands again after helping your child, and prior to interaction with other children.

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