

Health and Wellness Policy for Crozet Arts

At Crozet Arts, we are dedicated to creating a vibrant, inspiring environment where all forms of art can flourish. As always, our priority remains the health and well-being of our students, staff, and the entire community. When we're feeling unwell let's work together to keep our creative space safe and joyful for everyone!

Each student or parent of a student must read and agree to our health protocols listed under Policies on our website, by checking Waiver 4 on the class registration form prior to beginning a class.

Below are our updated health and safety protocols as of 10/1/2024.

Thank you for helping us to protect and be considerate of everyone's health.

Who This Policy Applies To:

This policy is for every student, visitor, and staff member interacting with Crozet Arts.

Keeping Our Community Healthy:

1. Vaccination Encouragement:

Although not required, we strongly encourage vaccinations against COVID-19 and flu for all eligible participants as a crucial measure to protect and keep our community healthy.

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/immunizations.html>

- Currently, proof of Covid-19 vaccination is not required at Crozet Arts; however, individual instructors may require proof of Covid-19 vaccinations for their classes; this will be noted at the top of the class webpage prior to enrollment.

2. Considerate Mask Usage:

Wearing a mask is a simple way to show you care for those around you.

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/masks.html>

- If the community transmission rate for Covid-19 is “medium” or “high” (yellow or orange) for Albemarle County, *masking will be required (for everyone ages 3 and up)* inside Crozet Arts regardless of being symptomatic or not. Masks will be readily available and a sign will be posted at the entrance to Crozet Arts if masks are required to enter.
- If a student has been ill but has been fever-free for 24 hours and feels well enough to participate in a class or lesson, but is not symptom-free and could likely still be contagious (sneezing/coughing/runny nose), student should wear a mask or stay home and opt to Zoom (if that option is available). Please see our make-up policy on the website for information about making up classes/lessons.

3. **Crozet Arts Commitment to Cleanliness:**

At Crozet Arts we are dedicated to keeping our spaces clean and as safe as possible.

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/index.html>

- High-touch surfaces and shared equipment are cleaned and sanitized regularly. Studios and performance areas receive special attention and are cleaned between sessions.
- Enhanced ventilation strategies are in place to ensure fresh air circulates throughout our facilities. Crozet Arts has ALEN 75i air purifiers running regularly in each studio.
- **We High Five Good Hand Hygiene:**
 - i. Sanitizer stations are dotted throughout Crozet Arts for your convenience. Help yourself and keep those creative hands clean!
 - ii. Regular hand washing is more than a routine—it's a ritual to safeguard our health. It's always a good policy to wash your hands prior to starting class.
 - iii. **Help Keep Everyone Well - Do a Health Check Before Coming to Class:**

Please read the below health policies regarding sick students prior to coming to class:

Feeling Unwell? Stay Home:

- Monitor your health daily. If you feel unwell, please stay home and rest. Students with a fever, or exhibiting signs of any respiratory viruses, or other contagious illness should stay home (including but not limited to cough, runny or stuffy nose, sore throat, headache, fever, nausea or vomiting.)

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/precautions-when-sick.html>

- Please email CrozetArts@gmail.com to report illness to Sharon Tolczyk, or if you have any questions about the best course of action due to illness.
- Ask your instructor about the possibility of virtual classes or make-up sessions that may be available once you are feeling well again.
 - i. Zooming for ballet classes is always an option for students who feel well enough to participate, but may still be contagious, or becoming ill. Please reach out to Sharon Tolczyk (before 2:30 pm) if your dancer feels well enough to zoom, but is symptomatic and therefore needs to stay at home.

2. Open Lines of Communication:

- Should you or someone close to you test positive for COVID-19 or the flu, please notify Sharon Tolczyk. Please return only after you've met the health guidelines for ending isolation and you feel well enough to join us again.
- <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/precautions-when-sick.html>

We Appreciate Your Support:

Your adherence to these guidelines plays a vital role in keeping Crozet Arts a safe place for everyone to enjoy the arts.

We promise to keep you updated through emails, and on our website, of any important health changes affecting our community. We continuously review and adjust our policies in response to new information and local health advisories to best serve you and our community. As always, thank you for helping to keep our community of families at Crozet Arts as safe and healthy as possible.

If you have any further questions about our health protocols please reach out to Sharon Tolczyk at CrozetArts@gmail.com, and thank you!