



COVID-19 Protocols for Indoor Performances and Other Extracurricular Activities
(TSSAA-sanctioned athletic events should refer to the KCS Athletic Protocols)
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The safety and well-being of students and employees is our most important priority. Participation in indoor performances will be optional, and there will be no adverse consequences for students who choose not to participate.

STUDENT/STAFF PERSONNEL CARE

All staff and students should be screened for signs/symptoms of COVID-19 prior to participation. Screening includes temperature check and screening questions:

Temperature Check

If a student or staff member has a temperature of 100.4 or greater, he/she will be isolated for further screening and remain there until leaving the premises.

- All students will have their temperature checked upon arrival. Students with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or greater will be isolated, and then go home if the temperature registers 100.4 degrees or greater after rechecks.
- A student with fever and no other symptoms must be fever-free without the assistance of fever-reducing medications for 24 hours before returning to school.
- A student with fever and COVID-19 symptoms must remain home for 72 hours and have met the criteria to discontinue home isolation and have consulted their primary care provider.

Self-Screening Questions

Parents/guardians/grandparents should work with the students to self-screen with the questions below prior to any indoor performance. An answer of yes to any of these questions means that students will not be allowed to participate. A student should promptly inform the head director/sponsor of his/her absence from the performance/activity. Absence from performances/activities will not result in any punitive measures against the student.

1. Have you been in close contact (less than 6 feet for 15 minutes or more over 24 hours) with an individual with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
2. Have you had any of the following symptoms in the past 14 days?
 - a. Fever
 - b. Cough

- c. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - d. Shaking, chills
 - e. Chest pain, pressure, or tightness with exercise
 - f. Fatigue or difficulty with exercise
 - g. Racing heart rate
 - h. Unusual dizziness
 - i. Loss of taste or smell
 - j. Sore throat
 - k. Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
 - l. Unusual rash or painful discoloration of fingers or toes
 - m. Do you have moderate to severe asthma, a heart condition, diabetes, chronic kidney or liver disease, or take medication or have a medical condition that weakens your immune system?
3. Have you or a family/household member been diagnosed with or tested positive for COVID-19 infection or been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the past 14 days?

Protocol for Positive Covid-19 Test

- If the district is made aware that a student participant or staff has tested positive for COVID-19, district officials will immediately notify local health officials.
- The KCS Health Services Department, Lisa Wagoner (865-594-3735 or 865-594-3643), Supervisor of Health Services, will work with KCHD to initiate contact tracing protocols to determine how widespread the potential exposure is and notify families and staff members impacted.
- If there is an incident on campus that might pose a threat of exposure to COVID-19, families and staff will be notified while maintaining confidentiality.
- A decision will be made in consultation with the KCHD regarding a school(s) closure to allow for additional measures to clean and sanitize the facility, based on the information provided by the reporting party.
- Depending on the nature of the exposure, a recommendation could be limited to specific classrooms or groups.
- Anyone testing positive for COVID-19 must isolate themselves at home for 10 days from the onset of their symptoms or 10 days from the date their test was done if they never developed symptoms. The fever must be gone and they must be feeling better for at least 24 hours.
- Anyone who has been within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a cumulative 15- minute timespan or more must quarantine themselves at home for 14 days from the last time they were with that person. These time periods do not change with a doctor's note or with a negative test.

Venues

1. Indoor performances / activities may only be held in gymnasiums, auditoriums, or other large spaces that are large enough for all students to remain at least 6 feet away from each other *and* a minimum of [15 feet away from the audience](#) (Tennessee Pledge, p. 6). No other venues will be allowed for indoor performances with live audiences.
2. Entry will be limited to participant's parents/guardians and immediate household members
3. Consider covering the gym floor with a tarp (if utilizing the gym).
4. Consider the time and logistics of scheduling facilities use.
5. Consider how to best set up sound equipment for the performance.

6. Areas need to be sanitized and disinfected before the performance begins and at the end of the event.

Face Masks

In accordance with [Board Policy C-240](#), Students, employees, and visitors shall wear masks or face coverings at all times except for the following:

1. Students, employees, and visitors may remove masks or face coverings for eating and drinking;
2. Students, employees, and visitors may be exempted from this policy by the school principal due to a documented medical condition; and students with health, behavioral, or other disability concerns, as noted in his or her IEP or 504 plan(s), will be addressed on an individual basis and afforded all protections and safeguards under federal and state law
3. Students, employees, and visitors may remove masks or face coverings on a case-by-case basis for specific instructional needs and other activities (such as, when 6 feet distancing can be maintained, outdoor recess and/or other appropriately distanced activities), as determined by the principal in consultation with the teacher, and permission will not be unreasonably withheld, in which case the teacher will utilize appropriate social distancing measures; and
4. Students, employees, and visitors may be exempted from this policy due to special behavioral or individualized needs as determined by the school principal.

During the Performance/Activity

- Student participants must wear a mask, in accordance with [Board Policy C-240](#). Face shields may not be worn by participants instead of masks.
- Student performers must be at least 6 feet away from other performers.
- Student performers must be at least 15 feet away from the audience.
- Wind instruments must have bell covers at all times.
- Wind instruments: Face masks should have a small slit for mouthpieces, except for flute players, who should play behind the mask.
- Students should arrive at the performance dressed and ready to perform.
- Students should arrive at the performance with makeup already applied to prevent students from sharing makeup and touching one another's eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Directors should be at least 6 feet away from the performers and should wear a mask, in accordance with [Board Policy C-240](#).
- It is suggested that students should only perform for 30 minutes and that 20 minutes be allowed between performance acts. Masks must be worn until students leave the performance space as aerosols disperse.

Equipment Cleaning for Band Instruments

Continue protocols already in place. Including...

- Spit valves may not be emptied on the floor. Use a sink instead.
- Use this cleaning protocol for shared instruments: <https://www.nfhs.org/articles/covid-19-instrument-cleaning-guidelines/>

AUDIENCE CARE

Guideline Communication

1. Post entry guidelines outside and inside the facility.
2. Remind the audience about distancing and mask-wearing frequently using the PA.
3. Bleachers or seats must be marked for physical distancing.

Temperature Checks

1. Communicate temperature check protocols to audience members prior to the event.
2. Require masks for temperature checks.
3. Develop a process of dealing with those individuals whose temperatures are 100.4 or above.
4. Use multiple entrances to thin crowds.

Audience Safety

1. The audience must have their temperature taken as they arrive at the event.
2. The audience must use social distancing and sit 6 feet away from other audience members. Family members may sit together but must sit 6 feet from other family groups.
3. Masks are required throughout the entire event and while in the building. Masks must be worn properly, completely covering the mouth and nose at all times.
4. Consider providing staff for monitoring safety protocols and ticketing.

Ticket Sales

1. Develop a plan that limits contact between audience members and gateworkers.
2. Entry will be limited to participant's parents/guardians/grandparents and immediate household members
3. Preferred protocols:
 - eTicket sales via school website
 - Ticket takers wear masks and gloves
 - Collect and retain names and email addresses or phone numbers for all audience members for [contact tracing purposes for a minimum of 30 days](#)
 - Provide ample time for students to buy tickets

Restrooms

1. Develop a plan to limit the number of audience members in the restroom.
2. Develop a plan to disinfect the restroom during the event.

Concessions

1. Require mask for service.

2. Designate waiting areas that allow for distancing.
3. Mark off lines with six feet of spacing.
4. Develop a plan for money handlers.
5. Protocols:
 - Use prepackaged food and drink
 - Use multiple food stations
 - Concession staff must wear masks and gloves (change gloves frequently)
 - Money handlers must wear masks and gloves, but not handle food