



Bridgewater-Raritan Regional School District

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BRHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT JAZZ BAND RETURN TO PLAY PROCEDURES

*In-person practice to begin on or after January 11, 2021 (aligned with NJSIAA recommendations for Basketball/Fencing/Bowling season).
Virtual meetings to begin prior (as of 12/16/20 or BOE appointment of staff).*

DAILY PRE-SCREENING

1. The online NJSIAA COVID-19 Daily Pre-Screening Questionnaire must be completed and submitted prior to arriving on campus for each practice session. The online NJSIAA COVID-19 Daily Pre-Screening Questionnaire will be available in the appropriate Google Classroom. The pre-screening will consist of a body temperature check and a review of the pre-screening questionnaire to be conducted by a designated staff member or assistant director.
2. If there is a YES response to one or more of the daily pre-screening questions, the student is not permitted to participate in the practice session and should not report to campus. The student will not be permitted to resume participation in the practice sessions until they receive a clearance note from their physician and forward it to Laura Craig, Supervisor of Performing Arts, by email at lcraig@brrsd.k12.nj.us. Final clearance will be given by the district physician.
3. Once on campus, each student will have their temperature taken by district personnel prior to each training session. If the student has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they will not be permitted to participate and must return home immediately. Parents/guardians are advised to remain on campus until their student has had their temperature taken and has passed the screening process. The student must have a temperature of less than 100.4 to be eligible to participate in the day's session.
4. Any student with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will not be permitted to resume participation in the training sessions until they receive a clearance note from their physician and forward it to Laura Craig, Supervisor of Performing Arts,

by email at lcraig@brrsd.k12.nj.us. Final clearance will be given by the district physician.

5. Once the practice session is complete, all participants must leave the campus immediately. Parents/guardians should plan to be on campus prior to the end of the practice session to pick up their student.

PROCEDURES FOR INDOOR WIND INSTRUMENT REHEARSAL

1. All music rehearsals will be conducted within current CDC and district guidelines regarding face masks (worn at all times by student musicians and staff) and social distancing.
2. Instrumentalists will wear well-fitting, multi-layered, washable or disposable surgical style masks with a small slit for mouthpiece access while playing. A second mask will be used to cover the slit mask when not playing. Both masks are required to be worn at all times. Students can provide their own masks or use disposable masks provided in each classroom.
3. All wind instruments will be covered with a bell cover. Bell covers have been provided by the district.
4. Students will be seated or stand a minimum of six feet apart at all times.
5. Outdoor rehearsal can continue to be conducted in appropriate weather.
6. Indoor rehearsal times will be reduced to 30 minutes of playing/singing time in a given rehearsal space. After 30 minutes, wind band rehearsal may be conducted in a second space while the current room is vacant and ventilation systems recycle the air for a minimum 30 minute period of time.
7. Regular classroom procedures will be followed (disinfecting, maintaining social distancing before/during/after class, cleaning high-touch surfaces, etc. Students will be guided in the proper cleaning of their own instruments and equipment.
8. Custodial teams will complete additional cleaning/disinfecting measures for all music rooms and rehearsal spaces on a daily basis.
9. Access to rehearsals must be limited to co-curricular group members, staff, and appropriate school personnel.
10. There shall be no physical contact between students at any time during the rehearsal, arrival, pre-screening, or dismissal periods. There shall be no physical contact between personnel and students at any time during the rehearsal, arrival, pre-screening, or dismissal periods.
11. All practice activities must allow for mandatory social distancing of at least six (6) feet at all times.

12. During all rehearsals/practices, directors and staff are reminded to be alert for any students exhibiting signs of distress regarding mental health secondary to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Unit Director should have the Bridgewater-Raritan High School Crisis Response Handbook accessible at all times.

EQUIPMENT/INSTRUMENTS

1. Equipment/Instruments shall not be shared at any time.
2. All equipment/instruments and touchpoints (*i.e.*, music stands, cases etc.) must be cleaned and disinfected after each rehearsal with district-supplied and approved disinfectants suitable to treat COVID-19. Disinfectant solutions used on musical instruments should follow COVID-19 Instrument Cleaning Guidelines provided by NAFME/NFHS.
3. Staff will be responsible for safely disinfecting district equipment. Staff will wear gloves and face masks when moving, storing, and disinfecting equipment.
4. Student members are responsible for cleaning or disinfecting their personal instruments and belongings. Students are responsible for the movement and use of their belongings and instruments. At no time may student instruments or belongings be shared.

MUSIC ROOMS/RESTROOMS

1. Students and staff will use designated restroom facilities during scheduled restroom breaks. Staff will maintain a log of restroom use.
2. Restrooms will be limited to one person at a time. Students waiting to use the facility must stand at least six (6) feet apart.

HYGIENE

1. Hand sanitizer shall be provided by the district and available at all times.
2. Students and staff shall wash their hands as often as possible, including before and after the rehearsal.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS

1. The students must have the following in their possession:
 - Two (2) district-approved fully covering face masks - one worn and a second available.
 - A “Playing” Mask which is made up from a slitted district approved reusable or disposable face mask or a purchased playing mask with a removable covering.
 - Completed COVID-19 Daily Pre-screening Questionnaire.
 - Required instruments & equipment.

PROCEDURES FOR STAFF/VOLUNTEERS

1. Staff should arrive first and complete the pre-screening at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the rehearsal.
2. At least one staff member will be designated to conduct the pre-screening in the driveway adjacent to the band room entrance while the students are still in their vehicles.
 - Ensure completion of the Covid 19 Daily Pre-screening Questionnaire in the Google Classroom.
 - Conduct temperature checks and record results.
 - Ensure that the student has two district-approved face masks, playing mask, and all required instruments & equipment.
 - Direct approved students to practice location and remind them to wear their district-approved face masks and to maintain 6 feet of social distancing
3. At least one staff member should monitor the students as they enter the practice location and direct them to locations while maintaining social distance.
4. Make sure that proper medical supplies are available on site.
5. Remind students of the procedures for the use of the bathroom, getting a drink, maintaining social distancing, wearing district-approved face masks, etc.
6. When the rehearsals are completed, one staff member will monitor the pick up to ensure social distancing and the wearing of face masks. Remind the students to properly sanitize their hands.
7. Sanitize equipment as necessary using school-issued disinfectant and return to band room.

CONTACT TRACING/POSITIVE RESULT RESPONSE

1. Staff will maintain attendance of all students and staff for every in-person rehearsal and practice.
2. In the event a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19:
 - The individual who tested positive will isolate for 10 days and be 24-hours symptom-free. They may return to practice once cleared by their own physician and the school physician.
 - All students in the rehearsal cohort where the positive test result occurred will quarantine for 14 days.
 - In the event of a positive staff test, all students and staff who had interactions with the staff member will quarantine for 14 days.
3. Staff must maintain a log of daily practice/activities indicating any interactions between staff and students that fall outside the organized groupings for the purpose of contact tracing.

TRAINING FOR STAFF/VOLUNTEERS AND SIGN OFF SHEET

Coronavirus: "What is it and How to Stay Safe." <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sutzeKqik2w>

NFHSlearn.com "COVID-19 For Coaches and Administrators"

"Non-Contact Forehead Infrared Thermometer"
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AMK6rhTlvgo>

I have read, understand, and agree to the information contained in the Return to Play document. I also understand that failure to adhere to the instructions and procedures as described will result in a practice session being stopped and concluded immediately.

I have completed each of the 3 training sessions listed below.

- **Coronavirus: "What is it and How to Stay Safe"**
- **NFHSlearn.com "COVID-19 For Coaches and Administrators"**
- **Non-Contact Forehead Infrared Thermometer**

Printed Name of Staff/Volunteer Member

Signature

Date

RETURN THE SIGNED LAST PAGE OF THIS DOCUMENT TO THE SUPERVISOR OF PERFORMING ARTS PRIOR TO ANY ACTIVITY WITH STUDENTS.