## School Pictures, Band and Stages on Sound Guidelines and Protocols Effective: October 1, 2021

## **School Picture Guidelines:**

- Before scheduling any School Pictures, the school should request from the Photographer or Photography Company a copy of their written COVID-19 Safety and Health Protocols which should include the required employee health screening protocols.
- Photography employees are to complete the Visitor Health Screening Protocols in addition the photography staff is required to attest that they are either fully vaccinated or submit a negative COVID test dated within the week of the scheduled Picture Day.
- The picture taking schedule should avoid the mixing or gathering of any school cohorts, with particular emphasis while waiting to take photos or the completion of individual photos.
- All photography employees are required to follow all the school COVID-19 safety and health protocols while on school property. This includes always maintaining social distance from students, faculty and staff and face masks.
- Once the subject is seated and the photographer has maintained social distance the subject may remove their mask for the photo. Once the photo is complete the subject should put their mask back on.
- The photographer or a photography employee should wipe down any frequently touched areas with an approved disinfectant wipe between each subject or when necessary.
- Group photos are not recommended at this time if it is the decision to have group photos the pictures should be taken outside while maintaining social distance.

## **Paul Effman Band Guidelines:**

- Before scheduling any Band Demonstration or Band classes the school should request from Paul Effman a copy of their written COVID-19 Safety and Health Protocols which should include the required employee health screening protocols.
- Band Demonstrations are only to be held in areas where social distance within cohorts and between cohorts can be maintained. If not, smaller demonstrations should be scheduled to accommodate the social distance requirement.
- Paul Effman employees are to complete the Visitor Health Screening Protocols in addition the Paul Effman staff are required to attest that they are either fully vaccinated or submit a negative COVID test dated within each week of the scheduled Band lessons
- The Band schedule should avoid the mixing or gathering of any school cohorts.
- Social Distance of 12 feet is required for all players of woodwind instruments.
- The Band area is to be large enough to accommodate the 12-foot social distance and have proper ventilation.
- All Paul Effman employees are required to follow all the school COVID-19 safety and health protocols while on school property. This includes always maintaining social distance from students, faculty and staff and face masks.
- Once the instrument players are seated and everyone has maintained social distance the student may remove their mask to begin to play. Once the student is done playing their instrument the student should put their mask back on.
- The Band Teacher should wipe down any frequently touched areas with an approved disinfectant wipe between each band lesson or when necessary.

• Full Band practices are not recommended at this time if it is the decision to have full band practice the social distance of 12 feet is to be always maintained between all band members.

## **Stages on the Sound**

- Before scheduling any Stages on the Sound demonstrations, lessons, practices, or performances the school should request from Stages on the Sound a copy of their written COVID-19 Safety and Health Protocols which should include the required employee health screening protocols.
- Stages on the Sound lessons, practices, performances are only to be held in areas where social distance within cohorts and between cohorts can be maintained. If not, smaller demonstrations should be scheduled to accommodate the social distance.
- Stages on the Sound employees are to complete the Visitor Health Screening Protocols in addition the Stages on the Sound staff are required to attest that they are either fully vaccinated or submit a negative COVID test dated within the week of the scheduled Stages on the Sound lessons, practices, or performances.
- The Stages on the Sound schedule should avoid the mixing or gathering of any school cohorts, with particular emphasis while waiting to take practice or perform.
- All Stages on the Sound employees are required to follow all the school COVID-19 safety and health protocols while on school property. This includes always maintaining social distance from students, faculty and staff and face masks.
- All students, faculty and staff participating in Stages on the Sound are required to always wear face masks.
- The Stages on the Sound employee should wipe down any frequently touched areas with an approved disinfectant wipe between each group or when necessary.
- Full Stages on the Sound productions are not recommended at this time if it is the decision to have a full Stages on the Sound production the social distance of 6 feet and face masks are to be always maintained between Stages on the Sound participants.

**Please Note**: These guidelines are subject to change as the pandemic continues to evolve and information is shared from the city and state agencies.

To stop the spread and reduce the risk of transmission of the COVID-19 virus within our school communities we are always mindful of using best judgement and common sense in all matters of health and safety.