

COVID-19 Lotus Centre Mini-Music Camp Guidelines

Lotus Centre remains committed to providing safe access to adapted music education programs. Due to our small number of students and low ratios, we are able to provide the safest possible environment for children with special needs. While we will continue to follow guidelines provided by the municipal, provincial and federal governments, we are also instituting the following protocols to ensure the health and safety of our students, families and staff.

Section One: Environmental Adaptations

1. Mini-Music Camp will be held in the large group room (rainbow room)
 - Mini-Music Camp staff and students should remain in the Mini-Music Camp room whenever possible (except for during washroom breaks and outdoor play)
2. Storage will be provided in the room for student belongings, craft materials, and music resources
 - Student belongings (backpacks, outdoor wear, etc.) will be stored along the back wall of the Mini-Music Camp room
 - Activities lead should have all resources (craft materials, story books, free time activities, and music resources) ready and in the room before students arrive. Leads are responsible for sanitizing and returning resources to the resource closets at the end of each day.
3. Two tables will be provided for nutrition breaks and any table activities to allow adequate spacing between students

Section Two: Schedule and Activity Adaptations

1. The playground can be used for outdoor play
2. Use of resources during activities:
 - All resources can be shared between students, and will be sanitized at the end of the day
 - iPods are to be handled by staff members only during music circles or other activities. Students should not have access to iPods at any time throughout the day
 - Blankets can be used as needed. If a student uses a blanket, please place the blanket in the laundry hamper when finished so it can be washed.
3. Drop-offs and pick-up times will take place using the front door of Lotus Centre
 - Staff will be required to meet and escort students to the room
 - i. Students should wash or sanitize their hands upon entering the centre
 - ii. Staff doing drop-off should wash/sanitize hands between each drop-off
 - Parents are no longer restricted to entering the building one at a time.

Section Three: Restrictions on Camper Attendance

1. NO attendance if a student who is unvaccinated has travelled outside of Canada within 10 days. If a student who has received the COVID-19 vaccine has travelled outside of Canada within 5 days *and* is showing symptoms, they should NOT attend camp until they have completed 5 days of isolation.

2. NO attendance if student is showing ANY signs of illness
 - Parents are encouraged to screen their child for symptoms prior to sending them to camp.
3. Students must be immediately picked up if any signs of illness at Mini-Music Camp
 - Parents should be called immediately if student shows signs of illness. Contact information can be found on camper profiles
 - Move the student who is ill to a separate area until they can go home. When possible, staff should maintain 2 meters from the symptomatic student and wear PPE (gowns, masks, gloves). After the student leaves, the area must be sanitized (surface, door handles, light switches, etc.)
 - After calling the parents, notify the supervisor that a student is showing signs of illness
4. Any parents with signs of illness should not pick up from Mini-Music Camp

Section Four: Restrictions on Staff Attendance

1. NO attendance if a staff member who is unvaccinated has travelled outside of Canada within 10 days. If a staff member who has received the COVID-19 vaccine has travelled outside of Canada within 5 days *and* is showing symptoms, they should NOT attend camp until they have completed 5 days of isolation.
2. NO attendance if staff is showing ANY signs of illness
 - If staff are unable to come in for a shift and it is less than 48 hours before said shift, please call the primary on-call supervisor (see supervisor schedule). If you are unable to speak with the primary on-call supervisor, please call the secondary on-call supervisor, then email both on-call supervisors.
3. Staff must immediately notify a supervisor and go home if they detect any signs of illness while at Mini-Music Camp
4. Staff must follow current OPH guidelines when showing symptoms, diagnosed with COVID-19, or exposed to a close contact.

Section Five: Sanitization and Hygiene Practices

1. Staff will sanitize common areas and washrooms at the beginning and end of each shift
 - Door handles, light switches, and high touch surfaces will be sanitized in the common area prior to students arriving and after all students leave
 - Washrooms will be sanitized following the washroom checklist prior to students arriving and after all students leave
2. Washrooms will be disinfected at the beginning and end of shift
 - Washrooms can also be disinfected as needed throughout the shift

3. EVERYONE entering the centre must wash or sanitize hands immediately
 - All staff must wash their hands immediately upon arrival
 - Staff will wash/sanitize each student's hands at drop-off
 - All staff and students must wash or sanitize their hands before and after each activity throughout the program

Section Six: Staff PPE and Protocols

1. Staff are not required to wear masks while inside the centre, but are strongly encouraged to do so if they wish. Disposable masks will be provided by Lotus Centre, but staff are encouraged to use their own reusable masks if possible.
2. Staff will wear gloves during food preparation and will change gloves when working with different students
3. Staff will continue to wear gloves and follow protocols for toileting
 - Gowns will also be provided for students whose toileting routine requires body to body contact (eg. lifts). Staff will put gowns in laundry hamper after a single use.
4. Prolonged body to body contact should be avoided, but gowns will be provided for staff to wear anytime body to body contact is unavoidable. Gowns should be placed in laundry hamper immediately after use.