

Stay Strong. Stay Safe. Stay Healthy.



This is our commitment to a successful season of uniting generations through music.

An update to our COVID-19 Policy

If ANY member has tested positive for COVID-19 or has any of the following, please contact MVB COVID Task Force Team immediately (765.667.8782 or 765.661.5921).

Ensuring the health and safety of all of our members and guests is an important responsibility. As we continue to monitor the impacts of COVID-19 closely, we are following federal, state/provincial and municipal directives and recommendations.

We need to consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19 and lower the impact in our rehearsals and performances. This includes activities in one or more of the following areas:

- **reduce transmission among instrumentalists,**
- **maintain healthy performance venues, and**
- **maintain a healthy rehearsal environment.**

Face coverings: All members will be required to wear face coverings in all common spaces, to your seat, and if/when you leave your seat, including before & after rehearsals.

Keep your distance at rehearsals: In an effort to minimize contact, no before or after rehearsal congregating. All rehearsal will be MEMBERS ONLY! No outside family members or friends will be permitted in the rehearsal location.

Wash and Sanitize: Please wash your hands before and after rehearsal. There will be hand sanitizing stations available as well. All equipment MUST be sanitized before it returns to the trailer.

Education:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use hand sanitizer with at least 70% alcohol if soap and water are not available. Always wash hands when they are visibly soiled.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Do not share water bottles.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow. Throw used tissues in the trash and immediately wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer containing at least 70% alcohol.
- Clean AND disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces such as music stands, chairs or percussion equipment.
- Avoid using or touching other band members instruments, music or personal items.
- Practice social distancing by avoiding large gatherings and maintaining distance (approximately 6 feet) from others when possible.
- Do not leave any trash, cups, bottles, masks, gloves, food wrappers, paper etc. at the rehearsal or performance space. Do NOT make someone else handle your stuff.
- Brass members bring a container or towel to handle the condensation that is required to be emptied from your instrument. Maintain it and Contain and remove it from the space.

Sick? A household member sick?

We ask that all of MVB Members take this illness seriously. Members who have a fever (100 degrees F or above) should not come to rehearsals. Members cannot return to any rehearsal until they have been fever-free for 72 hours (three days), without the use of fever-reducing medication. We are relying on you to help limit the spread of any illness. Anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home and limit contact with others, and should consult their medical care provider. (A full list of symptoms can be found on the CDC Website.

Any member who is quarantined due to diagnosis or exposure, or who lives in a household with someone who has tested positive, may not return until cleared do so.

If a COVID-19 diagnosis confirmed or suspected:

Members will be excluded from MVB if they test positive for COVID-19 or exhibit one or more of the symptoms of COVID-19 based on CDC/ISDH guidelines that is not otherwise explained. Once a member is excluded from rehearsals, they may return only when they satisfy the recommendations of the CDC current guidelines. There will be a specific process for verifying that requirements are met.

UNTESTED

Any member who is experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19 but has not received a test proving or disproving the presence of COVID-19 may return if the following conditions are met:

Fever free for at 72 hours without fever reducing medications; Other symptoms have improved; At least 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms appeared.

TESTED POSITIVE-SYMPOMATIC

Any member who is experiencing symptoms and has tested positive for COVID-19 may return to rehearsals if the following conditions are met:

No fever for 72 hours without fever reducing medication; Other symptoms have improved; At least 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms appeared.

TESTED POSITIVE-ASYMPTOMATIC

Any member who is has not had symptoms but has tested positive for COVID-19 may return if:

At least 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms appeared.

QUARANTINE DUE TO EXPOSURE (NO SYMPTOMS)

If an individual in the home of a member has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or is quarantined because of COVID-19 exposure, those in the household should also stay home for a minimum of two weeks or 10 calendar days.

PRECAUTIONS WE ASK OF BAND MEMBERS

We require that any member comply with federal, provincial and municipal guidelines and postpone any plans to participate if within the last 10-14 days they have:

1. been diagnosed with COVID-19.
2. traveled internationally in the past 10-14 days.
3. been exposed to an individual diagnosed with COVID-19.
4. have had close contact with a person suspected of direct exposure to COVID-19.

COMMUNICATIONS

As the COVID-19 situation develops we will supply updated information and/or requirements to our members as required.