

# CAMP SHAKESPEARE COVID HANDBOOK

# COVID-19 Protocols for Camp Shakespeare programming with Nebraska Shakespeare

Nebraska Shakespeare is committed to providing quality theatre to artists, patrons and the community, in a safe and effective manner. In following the continuous change of recommendations and guidelines from the CDC, the State of Nebraska Governor's office, the Douglas County Health Department, and the status of the virus in the state and Douglas country in general, policies are reassessed regularly and passed along to company and audience members as appropriate. Any concerns in the handling of Covid-19 during Camp Shakespeare events should be directed to Nebraska Shakespeare staff at: info@nebraskashakespeare.com.

## **General Day to Day Operation**

- When working indoors, all company members and participants are required to wear a mask
  while working on Camp Shakespeare activities, except when working alone in a private
  space, or in a situation in which the educators have moved the participant to a section of
  the space that is a minimum six-foot distance in order to accomplish the activity task at
  hand.
- When working outdoors, all company members and participants are required to wear a mask when getting as closer than six feet from others. Il company members are to social
- All company members are to wash their hands and/or use hand sanitizer regularly throughout activity times.
- All company members and participants are to wear masks when doing business with outside vendors, educators, patrons, or any other persons not part of the company, but affiliated.
- Masks are to be worn over the mouth and the nose, as recommended by the CDC.
- Company members and participants are discouraged from touching and/or using others' phones, or sharing personal properties.
- Hand sanitizer, wipes, gloves, masks, and disinfection wipes are available in all common activity spaces.
- Prior to invited performance activities, no extra guests are allowed in the camp activity spaces except the participants themselves and Nebraska Shakespeare staff.
- Protocols may be adjusted as pandemic circumstances, and CDC recommendations change.
- Any Nebraska Shakespeare Educator/staff member or child experiencing illness will be required to stay home.
- Parents may be asked to answer a number of health and safety questions concerning their child as recommended by the CDC.
- Camp participants are allowed disposable lunch bags only and will be socially distanced while eating during scheduled snack breaks. No foods/drinks are to be shared.

#### **Performances/Public Forum Activities**

- Audience members/parents/guests will be required to wear masks at all times while indoors. Audience members/parents/guests will be required to wear a mask when getting as close as six feet from others.
- Audience members/parents/guests will be encouraged to maintain six-foot social distancing from those who are not part of their "bubble", "section", "pod", or "seating".
- Masks must be worn properly in accordance with CDC guidelines, covering the mouth and nose.
- If any audience member arrives without a mask, they will be offered one, free of charge. If any audience members refuse to wear a mask, they will be asked to leave the premises.

- Camp participants will put away any props or other company items, before meeting with parents/quests.
- All participants, parents, and guests are encouraged to celebrate your child's activities at home, or another place of your choosing other than the Camp Shakespeare activity space.
   For the health of all involved, Nebraska Shakespeare encourages everyone to split apart, no congregating in pre or post activity crowds.
- Camp participants may take masks off during their performance. This action will be guided by Nebraska Shakespeare. All participants will be asked to put masks back on when not performing.
- Protocols may be adjusted as pandemic circumstances, and CDC requirements change.
- Audience members are recommended to self-screen for a fever and symptoms of illness prior to arriving; they are asked to stay home if presented with symptoms of illness. We have only the honor system to gauge such measures and ask for public cooperation in this matter
- Signage may be used in activity spaces to help encourage social distancing.
- In an indoor setting, after the performance, the audience will be dismissed row by row to help control the flow of traffic and encourage social distancing.
- Educators may not "block" or "stage" any participant entrances or exits through the audience or incorporate any audience physical participation.
- No sharing food, bringing treats, or potluck dinners. Our Camp Shakespeare event is short;
   please plan meals away from and around your Camp Shakespeare experience.
- If a participant, educator or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, CDC guidelines will be followed.
- If a family member of cast or crew member tests positive for COVID-19, CDC guidelines will be followed.

### In case of positive Covid-19 case within Camp Shakespeare events:

- The Executive Director, Artistic Director, and Director of Production are contacted immediately upon discovery of a positive case of COVID-19. Nebraska Shakespeare leadership will adhere to the latest CDC recommendations and consult with the Douglas County Health Department.
- Those who were in close contact (as defined by the CDC) with the positive case will be required to self-isolate per CDC guidelines.
- For the protection of our patrons, volunteers and staff, Nebraska Shakespeare will not allow mask exemptions of any kind, including medical exemptions. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in helping us maintain the safest environment possible.
- Once your party is seated in the activity space, please do not abandon your seats to sit elsewhere. Do not touch any seats in the seating area(s) other than your own.
- There will be no pre-show or post-show meet-and-greets with the actors, front of house or backstage.
- There will be no tours of any Camp Shakespeare space.
- Designated COVID-19 Point of Contact:
   Director of Productions, Lara Marsh; Imarsh@nebraskashakespeare.com