



ADSS Music Department
2021/22 Covid Safety Protocols

As we start the school year, many challenges are still present due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. ADSS Music program strives to offer the fullest musical experience possible, while still creating the safest musical space we can. In the interest of student safety and musical progress, the following rules and expectations are in place until deemed not necessary by the provincial government:

- All students must wear a mask during class time. Percussionists, string players, and vocalists will be required to wear theirs the entire time. Wind players are allowed to drop their mask onto one ear while playing but will be expected to wear their mask during long rest periods. Students may also choose to play their instrument under their mask by cutting a small opening into a mask for a mouthpiece to fit through, or purchase a mask with a manufactured opening from one of the music retailers (see Long & McQuade music store).



- All wind instruments will be required to use a bell cover to reduce the aerosols in the room. Bell covers can be purchased through music stores (Long & McQuade) or made at home from thick fabrics. A tutorial on how to do so can be found on our website (www.adssmusic.weebly.com)



- Brass players will be required to empty water keys into a towel or directly into a garbage can. A towel is recommended as it can be taken home and washed at the end of each class.
- Students will be spaced out as much as possible in the rehearsal space. Rehearsal spaces will also be cleaned and sanitized at the end of each class for the next group entering.
- If a student is unwell, please stay home and rest. We encourage our musicians to look after themselves and want them to be safe. If you are unwell and missing class, please have your parent/guardian email the teacher to excuse the absence. We will post weekly updates to our website of what is happening in rehearsals so if classes are missed, students can work on the material at home and be ready to jump back in when feeling better.

As always if there are any questions or concerns, please contact the directors:

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Thank you, and happy music making this year!