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## Arts COVID-19 Update

Following updated science as presented from the ABC Collaborative, and research from the Strong Schools Toolkit, the following updates are proposed for Band and Orchestra, Winter Guard, Vocal Ensembles, Dance and Theatre.

### Band

- Multiple mitigation strategies will be used to minimize potential spread of COVID-19. Strategies include social distancing, bell covers for instruments and instrument-specific slotted masks.
- Rehearsal can last indoors for 45 minutes per room or space or 60 minutes outdoors with a five minute break. Rehearsal time begins as soon as students begin playing instruments. At the end of the 45 minute rehearsal, students move to an alternate location to allow for air recirculation.
- Marching Band and Concert Band can travel for away games and competition, following the same COVID-19 safety travel guidelines set by athletics.

### Winter Guard/Flag

- Winter guard is permitted to rehearse inside, in groups that do not exceed social distancing capacity. All masking protocols will be followed.
- Winter Guard/ Flag can travel for away games and competition, following the same COVID-19 safety travel guidelines set by athletics.

### Vocal Ensembles

- Vocal Ensembles can rehearse 45 minutes indoors per space and up to 60 minutes outdoors with a five minute break. All masking protocols will be followed.
- Vocal Ensembles can travel for festivals and competitions, following the same COVID-19 safety travel guidelines set by athletics.

### Dance

- Dance teams/classes can rehearse in groups that do not exceed social distancing capacity.
- Masking protocols will be followed.
- Dance can travel for festivals and competitions, following the same COVID-19 safety travel guidelines set by athletics.

### Theatre

- Theatre students can rehearse in groups that do not exceed social distancing capacity of a space.
- All masking and social distances protocols will be followed.
- Theatre can travel for festivals and competitions, following the same COVID-19 safety travel guidelines set by athletics.

***All performing arts can opt to remove masks during performances. This does not include rehearsals.***

**Please note:** Public health information and directives change frequently. Please visit the district's [Reconnect. Reopen. Stay Safe.](#) website for the most current information as well as the GCS Fine Arts' webpage.