



Health and Safety Policies and Procedures:

BBK is committed to the safety of our staff, Teaching Artists, and students, and meets regularly to review and maintain the following health measures in order to minimize the risk of Covid-19 exposure. Our Health and Safety Policies and Procedures are based on the most recent [CDC](#) and [NYCDOE](#) guidance but favor exercising an abundance of caution to ensure the safety of our community. Revisions to this document will be made as the pandemic develops.

- **Social distancing:** Rooms where BBK classes are held have strict, limited capacity. To account for these limitations as well as CDC guidelines, class size will be limited to allow for social distancing.
- **Sanitization:** Students and staff *must* wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds after bathroom use.
- **Masks:** Due to recent changes in mask mandates here in NYC, we are no longer requiring face masks. However, mask wearing is entirely optional for all staff and students, and BBK will support either decision. We are keeping a keen eye on the directives from local and state officials and may adjust should conditions change before our summer begins. As a rule, BBK will follow NYC and CDC health guidelines.
- **Cleanliness of Spaces:** Spaces will be cleaned before each class and high-touch surfaces will be cleaned throughout the day.
- **Snacks/water:** All students must bring their own water bottles and their own snacks.
- **Sick policy:**
 - Staff, children and caregivers (even just dropping off) should stay home if they are feeling ill, have a confirmed COVID-19 test, or have recently had close contact (within 6 feet for a cumulative total of fifteen minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with a person with COVID-19 or with a person suspected of having COVID-19.
 - Anyone who has COVID-19 should stay home for 5 days from the onset of symptoms. The student or staff member must complete quarantine, be free of symptoms, and must have a negative COVID-19 test 24 hours prior to returning to the program.
- **Makeups/Cancellation Policy:** If a student provides a positive test for COVID-19 and is unable to participate for the remainder of the week, a credit *may* be issued for future programming. (Contact staff for more information)
- **Vaccinations**
 - **Teacher/Staff Safety:** All BBK Teaching Artists and Staff on site will be fully vaccinated, including booster shots, before the start of the program.
 - **Participation Vaccination Status:** At this time, we are strongly encouraging all of our students to be vaccinated and boosted. We encourage this for the maximum protection of our students and staff.