

UPDATED WYSO COVID-19 POLICY, January 19, 2022

[This policy is based on 1-19-2022 Public Health Madison & Dane County Guidelines.](#)

- All members are expected to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms before entering rehearsals or events. There are many possible symptoms of COVID-19, including fever, cough or shortness of breath.
- If you test positive for COVID-19 or are exposed to someone with COVID-19, please stay home from rehearsal. Here is what to do:

I Tested Positive for COVID-19 (Regardless of Vaccination Status)

Note: Day 0 is your first day of symptoms or if you haven't had any symptoms, the day of your positive viral test. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test specimen was collected.

- Stay home for at least 5 days and isolate yourself from others in your home.

Strings and Percussion Members:

- If you have experienced symptoms and after 5 full days your symptoms are improving AND you have been fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication), you may end isolation and return to rehearsal.
- If you did NOT have symptoms, you may end isolation and return to rehearsal at least 5 full days after your positive test.
- Please use an antigen test towards the end of your 5-day isolation. If you test negative, you can end isolation after meeting the other criteria to stop isolating. If you test positive, you should continue to isolate for your full 10-day isolation period and can stop isolating on day 11.
- If you are severely ill with COVID-19 you should isolate for at least 10 days.
- Take precautions until day 10.

Winds and Brass Members:

- The CDC and PHMDC's adjusted guidelines on isolation are based on strict masking in public spaces for a minimum of **10 days** following a positive test. Members who cannot wear a mask continuously during rehearsal should not return to rehearsal until the **10-day period has passed**.
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I Was Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 and Am NOT Fully Vaccinated

Exposure means you were within 6 feet of a person who had COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.

Note: The date of your exposure is considered day 0. Day 1 is the first full day after your most recent contact with a person who has had COVID-19.

Unvaccinated Strings and Percussion Members:

- Stay home and quarantine for at least 5 full days prior to returning to rehearsal.
- Even if you don't develop symptoms, get tested on day 5 day following exposure.
- Wear a mask in public and watch for symptoms until 10 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19.

- If you develop symptoms, isolate immediately and get tested. Continue to stay home until you know the results.
- Take precautions until day 10.

Unvaccinated Winds and Brass Members:

- The CDC and PHMDC's adjusted guidelines on isolation are based on strict masking in public spaces for a minimum of **10 days** following a positive test. Members who cannot wear a mask continuously during rehearsal should not return to rehearsal until the **10-day period has passed**.

I Was Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 and Am Fully Vaccinated (or Was Confirmed with COVID-19 Within the Past 90 Days)

Exposure means you were within 6 feet of a person who had COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.

Note: The date of your exposure is considered day 0. Day 1 is the first full day after your most recent contact with a person who has had COVID-19.

- You do not need to stay home unless you develop symptoms.
- Get tested (even if you don't develop symptoms) at least 5 days after your most recent close-contact with someone with COVID-19.
- Watch for symptoms until 10 days after your most recent close-contact with someone with COVID-19.
- If you develop symptoms, isolate immediately and get tested.

CONTACTING WYSO

If you develop symptoms of COVID-19 or test positive for COVID-19 within 48 hours of attending a rehearsal or event, please call 608-733-6283 ex 5. If there is an indication you may have been closely exposed to COVID-19 while at rehearsal, you will be informed as soon as possible.

ABSENCE REPORTING

If a member stays or is sent home because they have COVID-19 symptoms, close-contact or are diagnosed with COVID-19, these absences will not count against the allowable number of absences for the current concert cycle. [Fill out the online absence form.](#)