

Health & Safety Guidelines for Skidmore *Performance Clubs* In-Person Gatherings

While performance groups will still be able to rehearse (in accordance with the Health & Safety guidelines outlined for all clubs), special precautions will need be taken, especially for our singing groups, which are considered “super spreader” groups. Remaining consistent with Skidmore’s Athletic events, **performance groups will not be able to host in-person events with any audiences in attendance. Furthermore, all performance clubs (vocal, dance, comedy) are expected to hold any auditions for the Spring 2021 semester virtually.** This is not only for Health & Safety purposes; virtual auditions will assist in making club activity inclusive for those studying remotely as well. If you feel there is need for exception to this guideline, you must discuss your proposed audition plan with the Office of Leadership Activities.

In addition to the College and State Guidelines for In-Person Gatherings, please see below for further (although, not exhaustive) guidelines on *vocal and dance* gatherings.

Vocal Rehearsal Guidelines

- **No more than 8 people should be singing at one time.**
- **All singers and other club members in a shared space must wear face masks.**
- All singers should be at least **12 feet** socially distanced.
- All other club members in the room must be at least 12 feet from singers and 6 feet apart from one another.
- No borrowed music if a singer forgets their music.
- Singers should bring their own water bottles and exercise care when removing their masks to take a drink.
- Plan for procedures for singers unable to attend face-to-face rehearsals:
 - Consider providing remote listening/observing of the rehearsal for those unable to attend, via Zoom or other online platforms
 - Consider video/audio recording rehearsals and making them available for all singers online.
- Clubs are encouraged to seek out outdoor rehearsal space whenever possible. Note the same social distancing and mask wearing expectations apply.

Dance Rehearsal Guidelines

- **No more than 10 people should be dancing at one time.**
- **All dancers and other club members in a shared space must wear face masks.**
- All dancers should be at least **12 feet** socially distanced.
- Arrive to rehearsal already in your dancewear.
- No bare feet. All dancers must wear ballet shoes or clean socks.

- All dancers and other club members in a shared space must wear face masks.
- Dancers should bring their own water bottles and exercise care when removing their masks to take a drink.
- Plan for procedures for dancers unable to attend face-to-face rehearsals:
 - Consider providing remote listening/observing of the rehearsal for those unable to attend, via Zoom or other online platforms
 - Consider video/audio recording rehearsals and making them available for all dancers online.
- Clubs are encouraged to seek out outdoor rehearsal space whenever possible. Note the same social distancing and mask wearing expectations apply.

Please refer to the accompanying document “[Dance Studio Policies & Procedures for Technique Classes: Fall 2020](#)” for further detail about rehearsal spaces on campus. (These policies and procedures will be remaining the same through **Spring 2021**).

Please note that all guidelines are subject to change at any point in the semester. If there are any changes as we move forward, the Office of Leadership Activities will share those updates with clubs as promptly as possible.