

The Clay Studio

New COVID-19 Policies Effective Apr. 18th, 2022

Proof of Covid-19 vaccination is required for all TCS employees, artists, students and contractors.

Those who are unable to receive the vaccine due to medical or religious reasons must submit a Vaccine Exemption Form, please email nuokan@theclaystudio.org for the form.

Masks are recommended but not required in the school, and on the artist floor **IF you are fully vaccinated (the initial vaccine dose(s) plus a booster.)** The shop & gallery visitors will be required to be masked.

Any TCS employee, artist, student, and contractor that is unvaccinated and granted an exemption must wear two masks or an N95, and must submit COVID-19 test results to staff when requested (TCS will not reimburse for any PCR or Rapid Antigen testing expenses.) As always, we will make adjustments as the data and government guidelines change. Everyone's safety is always our first priority.

Details for Students, Instructors & In-house Artists:

We are looking forward to welcoming our community to the new building at 1425 N American St. for the spring term, beginning on Monday, April 25.

Though the confirmed daily cases are low in Philadelphia area, we will continue to require all eligible students and artists (5+ years of age) to show proof of vaccination before returning to The Clay Studio in the spring.

We are following the CDC, City of Philadelphia and Philadelphia School District guidelines and recommendations in making our decisions about programs and our community guidelines. Questions or concerns can be directed to Josie Bockelman, Deputy Director, at josie@theclaystudio.org.

What to expect when you arrive

We continue to require proof of vaccination from artists and students ages 5 and over. Students, please have your vaccination card in hand. We will also accept images of a current vaccination card on your phone. Studio artists can email an image to josie@theclaystudio.org.

If you were vaccinated in Philadelphia and your vaccine card is either lost or damaged, contact the City of Philadelphia Health Department at 215-685-5488 or email them at covid@phila.gov and they will supply a replacement.

You can find more information about vaccine safety and CDC recommendations on the CDC website [\[insert link\]](#) plus you can find vaccination sites and appointments near you [\[insert link\]](#).

Studio Capacity Though no longer required by the city, our enrollment is reduced by approximately 30% to enable social distancing.

Questions? Please email info@theclaystudio.org