

## HEALTH/HYGIENE GUIDELINES FOR 2021:

1. **Taking Care of Our Families and Community:** During these unprecedented times, we strongly urge families to lower the risk of spreading illnesses by taking the utmost precautions in your daily routines. This may include avoiding large group gatherings, wearing cloth face coverings in public spaces, hand washing regularly, and not coming to Studio Sprout if anyone in your household has a fever or COVID-19 symptoms. The better we care for ourselves, practice social distancing, and wear face coverings the better we collectively care for our community; therefore, the more likely we are to remain open for your children.
2. **Morning Health Checks:** Each morning, children's temperatures will be taken using a no touch thermometer. With a temperature of 100.0° F or higher, attendance will not be permitted. Your child will need to be symptom-free for at least 72 hours before returning to the program.
  - a. Your child's temperature must be under 100.0° F to attend camp for the day. Daily temperature checks will be logged confidentially, for our records. If your child has a fever, please keep her/him home from camp until he/she is fever-free for at least 72 hours after the fever's onset (without using fever-reducing medication) and symptoms pass.
  - b. Children with the following symptoms will need to stay home until they are free of symptoms for 72 hours: fever of 100.0° F or above, cough, stomach issues, rash or skin conditions of an unknown origin, diarrhea or uncharacteristically loose/watery stool, lethargy, respiratory illness, runny nose that doesn't resolve with 1-2 wipes, vomiting, or any diagnosed communicable disease or illness as tested or diagnosed by your physician.
  - c. If your child begins to show any of these symptoms, they will be isolated from the group and you will be called to pick them up within 30 minutes.
  - d. At sign-in, those dropping children off will need to answer a list of questions asking if your child or anyone in your household has exhibited the associated symptoms of COVID-19 or has been exposed to anyone with COVID-19 or the associated symptoms. If your child is showing any concerning symptoms, we will need to exclude them from attendance until they are symptom-free for 72 hours and have an all-clear letter from your physician.
  - e. In addition, we will be following these guidelines--
    - i. For those who had "suspicious" symptoms they need to wait for at least 10 days since symptoms appeared AND at least 24 hrs w/o fever and no fever reducing meds AND symptoms have improved.
    - ii. For those testing positive for COVID-19 but w/o symptoms: wait for at least 10 days since the test and no symptoms.
    - iii. For those who have had an exposure to a COVID-19 positive person: wait for at least 14 days since the exposure and must have no symptoms.
3. **Disinfecting:** In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other illnesses, we will be disinfecting more frequently.
  - a. Our camp will be disinfected at least twice throughout the day, after children leave for the day and as needed throughout the day. This includes disinfecting of toilets, sinks, main surfaces, door knobs and light switches.
  - b. We will only use disinfectants when children are not present or not in close proximity to the areas (e.g. when they are outside or away for the day).
4. **Washing hands** Students will be allowed in the studio to wash their hands and encouraged to do so after art and before eating.

5. **Staff and students will wear masks** when in proximity to each other; During lunch outside both students and staff will remove masks when eating. If any student or staff needs a mask break they can find space in the garden away from the group and have some time with their mask off.
6. 90% of our **daily activities will be outside** in our beautiful yard. Students will enter the studio to wash hands and gather art materials. During free time students will sometimes have the option of painting on the Plexiglass wall. Doors and windows will be open for airflow and students will be spaced 6 ft apart.
7. **Group sizes:** Studio Sprout may have groups of up to 12 children total with 2 teachers.

**LIABILITY:**

1. Studio Sprout shall not be held liable for any illness contracted, including but not limited to, COVID-19. Staff will not be held liable for any staff member, child, or family member contracting any illness, including COVID 19 and any effects, including death, that may result from exposure to COVID-19, even if the exposure is due to the negligence of a staff member. This statement is meant to inform families of the risks associated with children attending youth programs, during this unique time as well as prior to the health crisis. Staff members are trained and responsible for adhering to protocols regarding COVID-19 as well as for the prevention of illness associated with a youth focused facility.
  2. **Force Majeure (unforeseeable circumstances):** Studio Sprout shall not be held liable or responsible, nor be deemed to have defaulted or breached this agreement, for any failure or delay in fulfilling or performing any term of this agreement, when, and to the extent, such failure or delay is caused by, or results from, acts beyond Studio Sprout's control, including, without limitation, the following Force Majeure events:
    - a. acts of nature;
    - b. flood, fire, earthquake, epidemic(s), pandemic(s), public health emergencies or explosion;
    - c. terrorist threats or acts, riot, or other civil unrest;
    - d. government order or law;
    - e. actions, embargoes, or blockades in effect on or after the date of this Agreement;
    - f. action by any governmental authority;
    - g. national or regional emergency; and/or
    - h. shortage of adequate power, resources or transportation facilities.
  3. In addition, Studio Sprout retains sole discretion to modify their curriculum, schedules, means of learning, and teaching methods, whether in response to a Force Majeure event or any other reason that Studio Sprout determines necessary. Such modifications do not change obligatory financial responsibilities of parent(s)/guardian(s) hereunder, including, but not limited to, payments and/or fees.
1. **Studio Closures:** In instances of unforeseen circumstances that are out of Studio Sprout's control and which impact our community, cities, state, or nation, Studio Sprout may have to impose a temporary closure. In such cases, Studio Sprout has a "Distance Learning" plan in place. Closures may include local, state, or national emergencies, natural disasters, pandemics, power outages, mandated closures, and/or Studio Sprout directed closures due to COVID-19 illness and/or exposure of student(s) and/or teacher(s). During such closures, families remain contractually responsible for all financial agreements.
  2. **Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19:**
    - a. The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact.

- b. Studio Sprout has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the studio cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Children attending Studio Sprout and who are in controlled cohorts are not recommended to participate in group gatherings outside of said studio. This would not only increase the risk of your child(ren)'s contracting the COVID-19 virus, but also put many others at risk as well.
- c. ***By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to, and possibly infected by, COVID-19 by attending Studio Sprout. I understand that any group or individual activities outside of camp attended by myself, my child(ren) or other families enrolled in Studio Sprout may result in exposure to or infection of COVID-19 and could result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 at Studio Sprout may result from negligent actions of myself, and/or others, including, but not limited to, enrolled Studio Sprout participants, their families, and staff members.***

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at the Studio Sprout or participation in camp programming ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless Studio Sprout, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions of its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in the camp program.

- 3. **Disputes:** In the case of any dispute, above said Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be responsible for and incur any/all attorney fees.

I have read this contract and agree to abide by the stated provisions. By signing the "**Studio Sprout Contract**," I also acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Studio Sprout guidelines and **Waiver of Liability**, which states all of the philosophy and policies.

Parent Signature:	Date:
Print Parent Full Name:	
Print Child Full Name:	

**STUDIO SPROUT MEDIA RELEASE:**

I hereby grant permission to Studio Sprout, and its employees, volunteers, and representatives (hereinafter "Studio Sprout") to photograph my image and/or that of the parent or legal guardian and minor children named below (the undersigned). I hereby grant permission to Studio Sprout to edit, crop, or retouch such photographs, and waive any right to inspect the final photographs. I hereby consent to and permit photographs of the undersigned to be used by Studio Sprout for any purpose, including educational and advertisement purposes, and in any medium, including print and electronic. Studio Sprout will not use parent or child's name attached to the photos used. I further waive any claim for compensation of any kind for Studio Sprout's use or publication of photographs of the undersigned. I hereby fully and forever discharge and release Studio Sprout from any claim of any kind arising out of the use or publication of photographs of the undersigned by Studio Sprout and agree not to sue or otherwise initiate legal proceedings against Studio Sprout for such use or publication on my own behalf or on behalf of the undersigned.

I agree to the media release

I do not agree to the media release

Parent Signature:	Date:
Print Parent Full Name:	
Print Child Full Name:	