



Rhodes School
for the Performing Arts

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Dear Crew,

Although the year has just begun, I am excited about all that we as a crew have accomplished thus far. I wanted to personally thank each crew member for all the hard work that has been put into safely welcoming all of our scholars and families back to our campuses. Although we have many hurdles to overcome this year, the health and safety of everyone who steps foot on our campuses is at the forefront of my agenda.

I am happy to see that even without a mask mandate from our governor, our crew members and scholars remain vigilant by wearing masks. It will take us all coming together as a crew to keep everyone safe. I hope that together we will get through this pandemic safe and sound by continuing to wipe down classrooms, and socially distance.

To continue our efforts to keep everyone safe, RSPA crew and scholars will now have access to COVID-19 tests on site. These tests will be administered by your campus nurse. The results of these tests will be available after 15 minutes. RSPA will continue to contact trace after we are informed of each positive case.

Additionally, we are currently making plans to hire an additional crew member for each campus who is solely dedicated to sanitizing our most commonly touched surfaces. Our buildings are sanitized with "Shockwave" each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. This chemical is an EPA registered disinfectant, sanitizer, and cleaner capable of killing human coronavirus. Shockwave is strong enough to be used in a hospital or medical environment and has been specifically formulated to be used on both porous and non-porous materials.

Lastly, I will remain committed to stay abreast on all COVID-19 guidelines and recommendations from the CDC including the recommendation of vaccines. RSPA has and will continue to host vaccine drives on our campuses.

I understand that despite all the precautions that we are taking, contracting COVID-19 for some is still inevitable. If you are indeed positive for COVID-19 or feel symptomatic, please stay home. For every person who tests positive, the district has budgeted for 10 sick days, outside of the sick time already given. Let's all stay safe!!

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