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**To:** School Leaders, Music Teachers, Music Partners  
**From:** Anthony Beatrice, Executive Director for the Arts and Christine Landry, Assistant Superintendent  
**CC:** Silvia Romero-Johnson, Chief of Academics; Sam DePina, Interim Deputy Superintendent; Corey Harris, Chief of Accountability; Margaret Farmer, Development and Partnerships, Dr. Djenny Lobo Lopes, Senior Director of Health Services; Suzanne Salter-Bennett, Program Director, Health Services  
**Date:** May 26th, 2021  
**Re:** Guidance for Music Performances

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Dear School Leaders, Music Educators, and Music Partners,

Please use the following guidance for music rehearsals and performances for the remainder of this school year. We will update you if we adopt new guidelines from DESE. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Anthony Beatrice

Executive Director for the Arts

**For outdoor rehearsals and performances the following guidance is provided:**

A. Wind and brass instruments, with the exception of flute, must have bell covers. Wind/brass musicians do not need to be masked while playing, but should remain masked during non-playing times. Musicians must be spaced 3 feet or more apart.

B. Vocal performers may sing outdoors with masks on and spaced 3 feet or more apart.

**For indoor rehearsals and performances the following guidance is provided:**

A. Wind and brass instruments, with the exception of flute, must have bell covers. Wind/brass musicians (including flute) do not need to be masked while playing, but should remain masked during non-playing times. For brass musicians, disposable absorbent pads should be placed on the floor to catch moisture released from brass instrument valves. Musicians must be spaced 6 feet or more apart.

B. Vocal performers may sing indoors with masks on and spaced 6 feet or more apart.