



Fine Arts Classroom Guidelines

8/20/2020

In an effort to keep students and staff safe in the fine arts classroom, the following guidelines and recommendations have been put in place. The guidance in this document was derived using information from the TEA and UIL, in consultation with AISD administration.

The goal of AISD’s Fine Arts office is to provide realistic guidance to teachers and campus administrators while working to schedule classes in the most safe and educationally effective manner possible. Fine Arts classrooms differ from other spaces due to the necessity for team/ensemble based learning as well as the ability to serve students in a different educational setting. As the pandemic evolves, so will our recommendations for best practices in the fine arts classroom.

AISD Covid-19 Prevention, Mitigation, and Response Procedures:

<https://www.allenisd.org/Page/59150>

All Fine Arts Classrooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As facilities, scheduling and staffing allow, students will spread out around the room/facility.
Visual Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shared supplies will be rotated with clean supplies after every class. Supplies will be cleaned after each use.• When possible students will use individual art supplies.
Elementary Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face coverings will be worn when singing in grades 4-6. Face coverings for Kinder – 3 will be highly encouraged when singing.• Students will face the same direction in straight rows.• Shared instruments/equipment will not be allowed in the same class and will be cleaned after each class.
Band	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will face the same direction in straight rows.• Grades 6-8<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Wind instrument musicians will be expected to wear a face covering when not playing. Students will pull down their face covering to play.○ Percussionists will wear a face covering at all times.○ Bell covers will be provided for all wind instruments. Flute shields will be provided for flute players.• Grades 9-12 (inside and outside)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Wind instrument musicians will play with a face covering on. These face coverings (with a slit for the mouthpiece) will be provided.○ Bell covers will be provided for all wind instruments○ Percussionists will provide their own face covering and wear it at all times.○ Guard members will provide their own face covering and wear it at all times.
Choir	

Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will face the same direction in straight rows.• Student provided face coverings and district provided individual face shields will be worn at all times while singing in grades 7-12. 6th grade choir will sing with student provided face covering and district provided individual safety goggles.
Orchestra	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students can be in semi-circle ensemble set up• Face coverings will be worn at all times.
Theatre	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face coverings will be worn at all times.
Dance/Drill Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face coverings will be worn whenever feasible.• When feasible, locker assignments will be spread out.
Cheer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face coverings will be worn whenever feasible.