



Tiny Voices Little Songs Health Policy and COVID-19 (March 12, 2020)

At Tiny Voices Little Songs, we are closely monitoring the situation regarding coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in our community. Until the situation is resolved, we will continue to defer to the CDC and other health professionals on how best to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

According to the State of New Jersey Department of Health at this time, there are several COVID-19 presumptive positive cases in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties. While we remain focused on beginning our Spring 2020 classes in April, as Tiny Voices Little Songs Director I feel that it may be best to delay our start of classes until April 20, 2020, and shorten our Spring term to 9 total weeks (7 paid classes, and 2 free makeup/bonus classes).

As you know, this is a rapidly changing situation, and in light of these recent developments I have also decided to cancel the remainder of our Winter session, effective Friday, March 13, 2020. Many of our classes were scheduled to end by March 21st, and some were continuing onward one more week to make up some necessary unforeseen cancellations earlier this year. As you may know, weeks 10 & 11 at our center are designated as makeup week/bonus classes and are uncharged for, so they do not hold monetary value. However, I know that many of our families missed classes this Winter and were unable to schedule make up classes at any other time. Therefore, I will be extending all Winter 2020 families the option to sign up for two classes in our Spring 2020 session once it is underway, regardless of your enrollment status, on a space-available basis. You may schedule these classes as a makeup if you are enrolled in our Spring session, and we will allow families to schedule two classes as a drop in (free of charge) if they are not enrolled.

Please allow us a few days to adjust the scheduling and pricing if you decide you'd like to register for Spring with our delayed start date of April 20th. If you've registered and paid already for Spring, thank you! Please expect a refund of the equivalent of two classes within the next two weeks for your registered and paid children.

We will keep you updated and informed as the situation continues to unfold, and invite you to reach out to me at any time at Lisa@TinyVoicesMT.com.

In the meantime, we have revised our health policy using guidance from the CDC (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf>) about best practices to prevent the spread of all germs and ensure your continued health and well-being.

2020 Health Policy for Tiny Voices Little Songs

We ask for your help in keeping all the members of our musical community healthy by reading and following our **Health and Wellness Protocols** (attached). Our classes may have immune-compromised individuals (including pregnant women) who may be more susceptible to viral respiratory infections, including influenza and COVID-19, so your vigilance and adherence to this health policy is extremely important. Please note, our teachers reserve the right to send a family home from class if they feel these sickness protocols are not being followed.

We have established and updated our **Health and Wellness Protocols** in order to provide our entire community of families and teachers with clear information about what we are doing at our center to ensure our locations and equipment are as clean and as safe as possible for all.

Questions?

Contact Director Lisa Hearn, at Lisa@TinyVoicesMT.com, with your questions about this health policy or our plans for responding to COVID-19.

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