

Textile Center COVID-19 Safety Protocols for On-site Classes

Shared with all students upon registration

As of September 13, 2021, all students registering for and attending in-person classes at Textile Center are required to be fully vaccinated.* All of our instructors are also required to be fully vaccinated. If you are not fully vaccinated, we recommend signing up for a digital class at this time!

**As defined by the CDC: "...people are considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine."*

When visiting any public place during this pandemic, there's always a risk of exposure to COVID-19. When visiting Textile Center, you voluntarily assume all risk knowing that COVID-19 is extremely contagious, and that for some people it can lead to severe illness and even death.

For improved air quality safety, Textile Center has installed a bi-polar ionization generator in our building's ventilation system. This system effectively removes airborne bacteria, viruses, molds, and organic compounds in the air by removing hydrogen molecules from the pathogens and changing their molecular structure into harmless compounds.

Sanitization supplies, masks, and gloves are available in the classroom at Textile Center. Please use whatever you need. All classroom work stations are sanitized prior to each class.

Our general COVID-19 protocols are here on our website: <https://textilecentermn.org/visit/>

When registering for an on-site class, you agree to the following:

- Stay home if feeling sick, have COVID-19 symptoms, or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.
- **You will need to provide proof of vaccination before attending class and entering the classroom.** Upload your proof of vaccination here: <https://textilecentermn.org/vaccine/>
- **You will need to bring and wear a mask while in the building.**
- Sanitize or wash hands upon entry to Textile Center's classroom.
- We recommend you maintain social distancing – at least 6 feet between yourself and others – including teachers, program participants, staff, and other visitors whenever possible, particularly if you are not vaccinated.
- If the classroom is set up in a u-shape, or family style, please let staff or your instructor know if you need a separate table, to further social distance.
- Cover coughs and sneezes, avoid touching mouth, nose, and eyes, and wash or sanitize hands frequently throughout the program.
- You will be asked to bring own tools and supplies for many of our classes. This will be specified in the class description and on the supply list when you register.
- Communal tools will need to be sanitized after you use them.
- You may bring your own food/beverages and keep them at your workstation. Textile Center's kitchen is not available for use, including refrigerator and microwave.
- Shared food or beverages are not allowed.

- Participants who become ill during a class should immediately quarantine and return home as soon as possible. A touchless thermometer is available for use if needed.

Textile Center and our instructors will:

- Only permit a maximum of 11 people total per class (including instructor).
- Use 2/3 of auditorium to allow for social distancing, depending on the enrollment.
- Assign a 6-foot table to each program participant, as needed by students. Some classes will be set up in different configurations to facilitate learning.
- **Staff will sanitize ALL surfaces before every class – including, but not limited to, light switches, door handles, tables, chairs, equipment, faucets, handles, locks, thermostats, alarm panels, etc., in auditorium, entryways, rest rooms, hallways, etc. This includes all ALL tools and equipment (including audio/video).**
- Full preparedness plan and building procedures will be available to instructors and students prior to class, upon request.