

HEALTH AND SAFETY– WESTMINSTER CHOIR COLLEGE, AND COMMUNICATION, MEDIA AND PERFORMING ARTS

Westminster Choir College and School of Communication, Media and Performing Arts wish to inform students and faculty of health and safety issues, hazards, and procedures inherent in practice, performance, teaching, and listening, both in general and as applicable to their specific specializations. This includes but is not limited to information regarding hearing, vocal and musculoskeletal health, injury prevention, and the use, proper handling, and operation of potentially dangerous materials, equipment, and technology.

It is important to note that health and safety depend largely on personal decisions made by informed individuals. Rider University has health and safety responsibilities, but the fulfillment of these responsibilities cannot and will not ensure any individual's health and safety. Too many factors beyond the University's control are involved.

Each individual is personally responsible for avoiding risk and preventing injuries to themselves before, during, and after study or employment at Rider University. The policies, protocols, and operational procedures developed do not alter or cancel any individual's personal responsibility, or in any way shift personal responsibility for the results of any individual's personal decisions or actions in any instance or over time, to the University.

All members of the Westminster Choir College and School of Communication, Media and Performing Arts community are encouraged to visit Health and Safety Recommendations (<https://www.rider.edu/student-life/health-wellness/student-health-services/health-education-updates/recommendations-sfps-wcc-students/>) on Rider's website for a series of recommendations and resources designed to help each individual to become aware of and attend to various issues.