



Safety Precautions

The safety of our students, staff and community partners is of the utmost importance to the Shop Rat Foundation. We have taken into consideration all recommended best practices and regulations determined by the CDC and state of Michigan in determining how to proceed with in-person learning.

We ask that you please review these precautionary steps prior to attending classes.

Safety Precaution 1: Health assessment required upon arrival

Prior to building entry for each class, students will need to pass their health assessment, administered by a Shop Rat staff member. This will include answering a series of questions and having their temperature checked.

This assessment will take place at the main entrance to the building. Screening will take place from 3:30-3:45 PM. All students must arrive and complete their health assessment during this time to participate in class. No late entries will be permitted.

In the spirit of caution, we ask that those exhibiting any symptoms exhibited by the Health Department, please stay home.

Safety Precaution 2: Face masks are required

All students and staff must wear a face mask covering their mouth and nose at all times when in the building and participating in class. Face shields may not be used independently in lieu of face masks.

Those who are unable to wear a face mask should consider postponing their enrollment to a later session, to ensure the safety of all.

Safety Precaution 3: Students will sanitize their work stations

To stop the spread of germs, sanitizing supplies will be available at all work stations and each student must sanitize their station at the beginning and end of their time working at each individual station. Instructors will monitor students to ensure that they are cleaning their stations as required and sanitizing their hands and washing their hands upon arrival and periodically through class.

The Shop Rat Foundation will provide and utilize the same products recommended by the maintenance department at hosting locations.

Safety Precaution 4: Reduced capacity class sizes

To ensure that students are able to socially distance through classes, class capacity has been reduced to 50% capacity (4 students) for specialty classes held at the JCISD.

Safety Precaution 5: Individual PPE and equipment

All students will have personally assigned PPE (including safety glasses, hand tools, welding helmets, jackets, gloves, etc.) for the duration of their class.

Safety Precaution 6: No Visitors in the building

To ensure the safety of all students and staff and to preserve the integrity of health screenings, no visitors will be permitted entry into the building. This includes participants' parents, guardians, siblings or guest speakers.

Safety Precaution 7: No Food/Drinks permitted

No food or drinks will be allowed or provided within Shop Rat classes.

Safety Precaution 8: If a positive COVID-19 test occurs

If a student, staff or anyone that these individuals are exposed to (within 14 days) tests positive for COVID-19, we will notify their peers and the JACC administration and postpone class meetings for a 14 day quarantine.

****If students or their families are unable to adhere to any of the policies and procedures stated, we ask that they refrain from registration for Shop Rat Education Program in-person classes at this time.**

Please be aware that these policies and procedures are subject to change at any time, in relation to most recently issued best practices and state guidelines.