The following protocols are in place for summer 2022 programs at Simon's Rock. These policies and procedures may change and evolve as the pandemic does.

1. All students who attend an in-person session must be fully vaccinated and boosted (if eligible). A student seeking a medical or religious exemption must contact the Preparedness Committee (contact the YWW Director, Jamie Hutchinson, for details). All staff and faculty working directly with summer programs must follow the Employee Vaccination Policy, which requires employees to be fully vaccinated or to have a PCR test weekly (employees are responsible for arranging their own summer testing as it is not available on campus). All students will be required to submit their vaccination documentation along with their medical and health forms.

2. All students must take a rapid test at home in the morning prior to their arrival on campus. A photo of the result must be taken and shown to the staff upon check-in on campus.

3. Students, with perhaps a few necessary exceptions, will be housed in double rooms with a roommate. Living with a roommate is an important opportunity to connect, and other protocols mitigate the risk of infection.

4. All students should bring a supply of masks and be prepared to wear them when and where required -- KN95 disposable (easily available) or other high quality (i.e., ASTM Level 2 efficiency) disposable or cloth masks. See the following CDC website for useful mask performance information: https://wwwn.cdc.gov/PPEInfo/RG/FaceCoverings/

5. Classes and other program events may be held outdoors if weather permits.

6. The custodial staff at Bard College at Simon’s Rock will regularly clean and disinfect academic and administrative areas and residence hall common areas (kitchens, hallways, lounges, and bathrooms). Dorm rooms are cleaned and disinfected in between different groups but not during a program.

7. In the event that a student tests positive for Covid-19, they will be moved to isolation housing and will need to be picked up within 24 hours, either by a family member or a designated emergency contact. In the case of families whose student has flown to the program, the college will work with them on finding a feasible way for the student to leave campus as soon as possible. This must not involve an extended delay in the student’s departure from campus. All families, regardless of their distance from the College, should plan ahead for this possibility.

8. Any individual who fails to adhere to these policies, or who recklessly or deliberately poses a risk of infection to another student or to a staff member, will be sent home from the program. There will be no refund available on program costs.