

**FACE COVERINGS REQUIREMENT DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Face coverings (masks) will be required to be worn by all students and staff K-8 while entering and/or exiting the building, while in the building and while riding on school provided transportation. Face coverings can be disposable or reusable and will need to: fully cover the nose and mouth and secure under the chin, be made with at least 2 layers of breathable material, fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face, and be secured with ties or earloops. Based on guidance from health authorities neck gaiters, open-chin triangle bandanas and face covering containing valves, mesh material or holes of any kind will not be considered appropriate face coverings. Parents must provide their child(ren) with face masks. Reusable masks must be washed daily.

If a staff member or student does not have a face covering they will be provided with a temporary, disposable face covering by the school district. However, individuals will be given two warnings and then denied access when the Administration determines that there is a regular, consistent pattern of non-compliance. In all cases, if a staff member or student does not comply with this policy, they will be denied access to the building and/or removed from the building.

Individuals unable to wear face coverings due to a medical or disability issue must present documentation from their healthcare provider. In these cases, the District will work with the parents or the staff member to provide reasonable options where possible for remote learning or work.

Opportunities for Mask breaks combined with appropriate physical distancing measures and extra recess outdoors will be scheduled throughout the school day.