

**NEW**

## Students

### **REQUIRED FACE COVERINGS FOR STUDENTS**

During a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and while the District remains in Phase 1, 2, 3 or 4, the District requires students, parents, vendors, and any visitors of the District to wear face coverings as set forth in this policy. "Face coverings" shall mean cloth or mask that covers an individual's mouth and nose.

Face coverings shall be worn in the following situations:

- Face coverings shall be worn at all times while in school buildings, except when eating or when necessary to play an instrument. The requirement to wear face coverings at all times indoors applies even if social distancing can be maintained.
- Face coverings shall be worn at all times on the school bus.
- Face coverings shall be worn at all times outdoors on school property when social distancing of 6 feet from other individuals cannot be maintained.
- Face coverings shall be worn during driver's education behind the wheel instruction.

A student arriving at school without a face covering will be provided a face covering at no cost. Students, parents, legal guardians or any other individual not wearing a face covering or refusing to wear a face covering will not be allowed on the school property and students will be marked as absent.

#### Exceptions

The following exceptions and procedures apply for situations when face coverings cannot be worn.

- Students who are not able to wear face masks due to medical reasons must have a physician's note justifying the medical reason to not wear a mask.
  - Those students who are unable to wear face coverings shall wear face shields to the extent possible.
- Students who are unable to remove face coverings without assistance may be excepted from wearing face coverings on a case-by-case basis.
- Individuals under 2 years of age are not required to wear a face covering.

ADOPTED:           TBD