MASKING PROCEDURES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR NASHVILLE C.C.S.D. #49

While Nashville #49 recommends that any unvaccinated individuals wear a mask while at school, our district has made the decision <u>not</u> to make the wearing of masks mandatory to begin the 2021-2022 school year. The decision to wear a mask will be made by each individual parent on behalf of their student. This procedure will apply to all students, staff members, and visitors inside the school building and on school grounds. This decision was made after a careful review of the current COVID-19 data in our community and discussions with a variety of individuals.

Please note that the CDC does require students and drivers to wear masks while on a school bus. The CDC guidance states: "Regardless of the mask policy at school, passengers and drivers must wear a mask on school buses, including on buses operated by public and private school systems." Nashville #49, therefore, will require students and drivers to wear masks while on a school bus.

The district will regularly monitor the COVID-19 situation here at school and in the community. We will also regularly communicate with local health officials to ensure that we have the most up-to-date data. If there is a significant increase in cases here at school or within the community, the district may revise this masking procedure at any time during the upcoming school year.

If you have questions or concerns about this procedure, please contact the following administrators:

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