



Covid-19 Protocol update 5/28/2021

According to the Guidance from the Ohio Department of Health, most public health orders relevant to Covid-19 are expected to be lifted June 2, 2021. Although this does include the masking requirement, local school districts have the right to continue to require masking of staff and students through the summer if they believe it is in the best interest of the school community. With this information our protocol for the district heading into the summer will be as follows:

- All staff and students working in buildings or on school busses will be required to wear mask on site in the district through the end of summer programming **July 2, 2021.**
- Vaccinated staff can work and socialize together in small groups without mask and when no children are in the building starting **June 2, 2021.** This does not include common areas or hallways. Non-vaccinated staff should continue to wear mask during these small adult to adult interactions until July 6, 2021.
- Starting **July 6, 2021,** all staff onsite will be permitted to be mask-free if they choose, still with the personal option to wear mask per their individual level of comfort.
- Students on site grades 6-12 will not be required to wear mask starting **July 6, 2021,** this includes extra-curricular activities, indoors and outside. OHSAA guidelines will be followed for sports activities.
- Students Pre-K through 5 will be permitted to be mask-free 5 weeks after the approval of vaccine eligibility for this age group. **This date is TBD but is expected very soon.**

Custodial staff will continue the daily surface cleaning and disinfecting of common areas and classrooms throughout the summer. Staff members will also be provided supplies to continue those processes to individual levels of comfort on a daily basis.

Water bottle filling stations will remain the sole source of drinking water for students and staff indefinitely.

Hand washing and sanitizing is still required throughout the summer months as it has been proven to slow the spread of not just Covid-19 but other communicable diseases. Social distancing guidelines should still be enforced amongst unvaccinated staff and students to the best of our ability throughout the summer.

As we have detailed through the entire pandemic, the district will continue to monitor the guidance set forth by Public Health Dayton Montgomery County and the Center for Disease Control. In the event guidance is altered the district will update protocol to adhere to any specific changes. Thank you for your commitment to health and safety during this time.