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WHEN TO WEAR A MASK

MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL KSD STAFF AND STUDENTS

CLASSROOM

Masks must be worn in the classroom **at all times**.

HALLWAYS/ STAIRS

Masks must be worn in the hallways, stairwells, and elevators. This includes passing periods.

LUNCH/ SNACKS

Remove masks while eating and drinking, then promptly put it back on when finished. Students should eat lunch with their assigned cohort, behind their barrier and in their assigned seat.

PE/ GYM

Masks must be worn.

RECESS

Students will have recess with their assigned cohort. Masks are required for recess.

CHOIR/ BAND

Masks are required for all activities in music and choir classes, including singing. Percussion players must always wear a mask. Brass and woodwind players must wear the provided musician's mask appropriate for their instrument. Instrument covers for brass and woodwind are required. Students must use hand sanitizer after instruments are put in cases.

BUS

Masks must be worn at all times while on a school bus. Students will not be allowed to board the bus without a mask. Bus drivers will have a limited supply of disposable masks on hand for emergencies.

Masks are required for all KSD staff and students, regardless of grade level.

WHY MASKS?



Masks help slow the spread of coronavirus. In the Kirkwood School District, **masks are required for all staff and students**, regardless of grade level.

All staff and students (K-12) will be expected to wear masks throughout the day. Options for intentional breaks or "mask-free" times will be explored and defined, at times when additional mitigation strategies are not necessary.

KSD is providing two masks for every student and staff member. KSD also purchased Badger face shields for staff.

Surgical masks will be available, on an as-needed basis. School nurses will have additional protective resources.

ACCEPTABLE MASKS

In accordance with CDC guidance, a well-secured mask that fits snugly against the face, covers an individual's nose and mouth, and is secured under the chin will be accepted.

ACCEPTABLE:

- Cloth masks that fully cover nose, mouth and chin
- Disposable cloth mask
- Face shields worn with a mask

NOT ACCEPTABLE:

- Masks with exhalation valve or vent
- Masks made solely of materials like mesh or lace
- Knitted masks
- Mask with profanity or imagery that violates the student dress code

PLEASE NOTE: KSD's guidelines on acceptable masks may change as the CDC and other medical organizations release new guidance.

HELPFUL MASK TIPS

- Label your student's mask with their name.
- Provide a lanyard.
- Launder masks regularly.
- Let your student choose a mask color or design they like.
- Model good mask-wearing to help your student embrace the habit.

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