

Mask Order Guidance

Per Governor Kelly's Executive Order 20-59, the following is mandated per the executive order, effective August 10, 2020:

1. All students, faculty, staff, vendors and other visitors to K-12 attendance centers shall wear a face covering, covering their nose and mouth at all times, except as described below:
 - a. While eating(Social distancing is still required)
 - b. While working-other than to prepare food-in a room or office that is (1) not open to students or visitors and (2) in which all individuals present can maintain a 6-foot distance from other individuals with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity. NOTE: Staff **MUST** wear masks in presence of students unless exempted below.
 - c. While engaged in an activity during which it is unsafe or impossible to wear a mask or other face covering;
 - d. Children who are not students are 5 years of age or under--children age two years and under in particular should not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
 - e. Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering--this includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance;
 - f. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing, or communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication;
 - g. Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines; and
 - h. Persons engaged in any lawful activity during which wearing a mask or other face covering is prohibited by law.
2. Throughout all school buildings or facilities individuals shall maintain a 6-foot distance from other individuals with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.
 - a. This requirement does not apply to in-person instruction when masks or other face coverings are worn.
NOTE: Social distancing of 6-foot is required at all times, except during in-person instruction with masks worn by all present(classroom setting)
3. Hand sanitizer shall be made available in all public or private K-12 classrooms and shall be made conveniently accessible throughout other areas of K-12 public school buildings or facilities. Students and faculty shall sanitize their hands at regular intervals throughout the school day and no less than once every hour.

NOTE: Proper handwashing with soap is the most effective method of hand sanitization.