## Midd-West School District

A Quality Education For All, For Life



September 2, 2021

Midd-West School District Parents and Families:

As many are aware by now, the Acting Secretary of Health has signed into effect a Face Coverings Order for all K-12 schools in Pennsylvania. The Midd-West School District must comply with this Order.

We ask that beginning Tuesday, September 7, 2021 that all Midd-West School District staff, teachers, and students comply with this Order when working inside around others. The Order does not apply to outside activities such as recess and outdoor physical education classes.

We have included a list of resources for parents on our website. The resources include the Face Coverings Order and a list of Frequently Asked Questions. Please understand that the reasonable accommodations that appear in the written order apply to exceptions documented by a doctor's note and supported by a Health Plan, 504 Agreement, or IEP. These are not to be taken, nor granted lightly, according to several legal sources.

The best way for the Midd-West School District to stay open for in-person instruction for all students with the present conditions in our state is that everyone participate in the wearing face coverings within the school building. We greatly appreciate the willingness of parents, staff, and students to make this small personal sacrifice for the benefit of others in our school and community. We strive to find the right educational program for each and every student in the district.

For parents opposed to their children attending with face coverings being required, there are a limited number of options. One of those includes the Midd-West Cyber Academy. Our staff will approve participation in programs as quickly as we can once we are notified of the desire to change programs.

We appreciate your understanding rapidly changing situations within our district and state.

Sincerely yours,

Joe Stroup, Superintendent Midd-West School District