

## **TUXEDO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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Dear Tuxedo Families,

As you may know Governor Hochul has lifted mask mandates for schools starting on Wednesday, March 2.

We had fully intended on making mask wearing optional, but we have new information which has caused us to modify our plan.

There has been a new positive Covid case in the elementary school with possible exposures. This means that the elementary school students will be asked to wear the masks until Friday. These few extra days will allow us to help prevent any possible infections of our students. As of Monday, March 7, masks will be optional for GGM. We also feel more comfortable with this decision coming off of Winter break and all the traveling that often comes with it.

The high school has no known cases, therefore the students at the high school may begin their optional mask wearing tomorrow, March 2. The high school students must wear a mask, however, if they come to GGM for any reason. All students in both GGM and GFB must wear a mask while on the school bus.

We understand the frustration and inconvenience to the elementary students, but we ask you to be patient and cooperate with us for a few additional days. We are doing this to keep our students and staff as safe as we can.

Thank you as always for your understanding. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey T. White

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