

February 22, 2022

Dear Parents.

The Indiana State Department of Health has lifted the mask and social distancing mandates for school buildings beginning Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022.

Masks will still be required on buses, per federal mandate, and on days 6-10 for any student or staff member who tested positive and is returning to school. Madison Consolidated Schools will continue to follow the recommendations of the Indiana Department of Health.

We realize that this may cause some families to be concerned. Please know that even though masks are now optional we will continue to make every effort in our school buildings and buses to keep your child safe.

Things we will continue to do:

- Encourage families to report positive cases
- Notify you of positive cases in your child's classroom
- Encourage hand washing of students and staff throughout the day
- Require staff to continue to mask when providing direct care to any child (toileting, feeding, and hygiene needs.)
- Disinfect frequently touched areas between use
- Continue to monitor all children for symptoms and strongly suggest and offer testing of those students
- Symptomatic children will continue to be sent home
- Monitor for clusters of illness and be in contact with our local health department for guidance.

The safety, health, and well being of your child(ren) is our priority. We ask for your grace and patience as we grow and adapt with you during this time. Thank you for continuing to trust us with your children.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Black Assistant Director of Student Services