



September 2, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we draw closer the start of the 2020-2021 school year, I am providing this important reminder that the Wayne Highland School District's Health and Safety Plan is in accordance with the *Order of the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health Requiring Universal Face Coverings*.

As a result, in order to attend school in-person, students are required to wear a face covering in compliance with the *Order*. Please visit the link below to find *Answers to FAQ's: Universal Face Coverings Order*. You can also find the *FAQ* by visiting www.whsdk12.com.

<https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safeschools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/Waivers/MaskWearing/Pages/default.aspx>

As recently reported, clarifications from the Department of Health regarding the *Order* stipulated the following circumstances whereby students are permitted to remove their face coverings (e.g. masks and face shields).

Schools may allow students to remove face coverings when students are:

- Eating or drinking when spaced at least 6 feet apart; or
- When wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition in which to operate equipment or execute a task; or
- At least 6 feet apart during "face-covering breaks" to last no longer than 10 minutes.

We look forward to a safe and healthy return to school!

Please direct all questions to building principals or feel free to contact me at 570-253-4661.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gregory Frigoletto".

GREGORY FRIGOLETTO
District Superintendent