



For immediate release on July 23, 2020

In accordance with Governor Holcomb's announcement on July 22, 2020 and Executive Order signed July 23, 2020, masks will be required to be worn by all Hoosiers beginning Monday, July 27, 2020.

Madison Consolidated Schools will require masks to be worn by students in Grades 3 - 12, all staff, volunteers, and anyone in our buildings at any time. We would like to remind you that students in PreK through Grade 2 are also welcome to wear masks at all times.

Additionally, the requirement for wearing masks will be implemented **immediately** on all Madison Consolidated School campuses, including the upcoming Newsies production and Commencement activities.

Per the Governor's Order, masks are required:

- In most public spaces and commercial entities.
- When using public transportation and vehicle services.
- While attending outdoor public spaces when you cannot social distance from people who are not in your household.
- In schools for students age 8 and above (or Grade 3 and above). The exceptions will be PE class, lunch, and band class.
- While participating in all co-curricular and extracurricular activities with exceptions for strenuous physical activities.
- Exceptions will be made for medical conditions, disabilities, exercising, eating, and drinking.

We will be revising the Reopening Plan with these changes and will look for additional guidance from the state and IHSAA regarding the definition of 'strenuous physical activity' when applied to co-curricular and/or extracurricular activities.

Recent changes to the overall Reopening Plan communicated on July 18, included mandatory masks for students at both MJHS and MCHS. The Governor's Executive Order will expand mandatory masks into our elementary schools for students in Grades 3 and 4. We will work with all students to help them understand the importance of wearing masks to help mitigate the spread of this virus.

In order to help our students, Madison Consolidated Schools have received a generous donation of 10,000 masks from Mr. Dave Ungru, owner of Koehler Welding and Koehler Tire!

Please begin working with your child/children now so they can become familiar with having the face covering in place. Please see the [reference materials](#) shared by the Indiana State Department of Health.