



## COVID-19 FACE COVERING POLICY

POLICY:	808.1
ADOPTED:	08/16/21
REVISED:	02/28/22

EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/01/2022

### I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish indoor face covering parameters for all people present in all school settings including teachers, staff, students, and visitors to schools, regardless of vaccination status, in order to minimize exposure to COVID-19.

**Effective March 1, 2022, face coverings will be strongly recommended, but not required, for students, staff, families, and visitors.**

### II. General Statement of Policy

- A. The term “school setting” means all buildings and properties owned or leased by the School District and is not limited to only those places where students are present. It includes all administrative and operational buildings and sites.
- B. To be consistent with the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) guidance, all students, coaches, officials, spectators and other personnel must comply with [MSHSL requirements](#).

### III. Implementation and Effective Date

Updates relating to the recommendations and requirements of this policy will be communicated to teachers, staff, students, and visitors to the school building.

The updated COVID-19 Face Coverings Policy 808.1 will be in effect as of Tuesday, March 1, 2022. The school board will review this policy as necessary in light of changes to case rates, guidance from the Center for Disease Control, American Association of Pediatrics, Minnesota Department of Health, Minnesota Department of Education and/or any other applicable authorities, and, minimally, at the start of each trimester.

**Legal References:** Emergency Executive Order 20-81  
 Emergency Executive Order 20-82  
 Minn. Stat. § 12.45 (Governor's Orders and Rules, Effect)  
 Minn. Stat. § 12.45 (Violations; Penalties)

**Cross References:** Policy 807 - Health and Safety Policy  
 Policy 504 - Student Dress and Appearance