

**Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools**  
**Use of Face Coverings Guidelines**

***NOTE: The following guidelines are current as of June 2, 2021 and are subject to change upon release of additional federal, state, and/or local requirements and/or health authority guidance. Upon release of such requirements and/or guidance the Superintendent shall cause the following guidelines to be revised for compliance with any such requirements and taking into consideration any such health authority recommendations. Upon such revision, the revised guidelines subsequently shall be communicated in the same manner as the District's reopening plans.***

**REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR USE OF FACE COVERINGS**

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility relative to student, employee, and visitor health and safety. The following procedures and requirements regarding the use of face coverings while on school property have been developed with a goal of having students physically present in school while balancing health and safety considerations during the COVID-19 pandemic. Current medical evidence indicates that the spread of certain communicable diseases, specifically those that are transmitted via respiratory droplets, may be limited by use of face coverings, including face masks (i.e. cloth/fabric face masks) when social distancing cannot be maintained. For purposes of procedure and requirements, social distancing shall be a space of three (3) to six (6) feet between individuals.

Currently face coverings are optional for individuals in school buildings or on school grounds.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/ATHLETICS/SPECIAL EVENTS**

The face covering guidelines set forth above also are applicable to extracurricular activities, athletics, and other school related special events. For athletics, these requirements are supplemented by any Orders from the Ohio Department of Health and guidance from the Ohio High School Athletic Association that specifically relate to athletics. The District will follow any Orders from the Ohio Department of Health pertaining to athletics which could impose additional face covering requirements or provide exemptions from face covering requirements. The District will revise these guidelines to address any change in recommendations by the Ohio High School Athletic Association and federal, state, and local health authority guidance.