



Mask Requirements for Students and Staff Revised: October 13, 2020

The Virginia Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend mask usage to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. As a result, the Waynesboro School Board requires masks to be worn by students and staff who are attending a Waynesboro public school or utilizing school division transportation. “Mask breaks” are permitted following the guidelines listed below. These requirements are effective immediately.

Mask options allowed (Face shields may be used in combination with any of the options below):

Fabric or cloth mask (washable cotton or polyester)
Surgical mask (disposable)
Fitted N95 or professional grade medical mask
Face shield with a drape at the bottom
Buffs/gaiters that are at least two-ply/double material



Mask options not allowed:

Bandanas
Face masks with valve or vent
Face shield used alone (exception with medical documentation and approval by school administration)

It is important for the wearer to avoid touching his or her mask. If the mask is touched, the wearer should avoid touching the face and sanitize or wash hands immediately. Additionally, if a cloth or fabric mask becomes wet or dirty, it is important to switch to a clean one. Masks should not be shared. The mask should cover the face from the bridge of the nose to under the chin.

“Mask Breaks” for students and staff while at school:

- Outside breaks are encouraged as much as possible
- 6-feet social distance when there is no physical activity
- 10-feet social distance when there is physical activity
- Inside breaks are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes per class/hour
 - ◆ Must be in their seat
 - ◆ Must be 6-feet from the teacher and other students
 - ◆ Facing the same direction as other students
 - ◆ During a seated activity (i.e. quiet reading time, journal time)
 - ◆ Breakfast/lunch (may be longer than 10 minutes)

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school administrator. For questions about how to properly wear a mask, please contact your school nurse or our Head Nurse, Mandi McComas (540-946-4600, x128).