



September 17, 2021

As per the Governor’s mask mandate, Executive Order #251, school districts must require masks in school buildings for students, staff, and visitors. The Executive Order stipulates that no municipality, county, or agency can enact any contrary policy or regulation which could conflict or impede this Order. The Order provides for exceptions to the mask mandate, such as being outdoors, health/medical issues, disability, while eating/drinking, physical activity, and excessive heat conditions.

MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS FOR STUDENTS, STAFF, AND VISITORS, AS WELL AS ON BUSES.
As we start transitioning into the cooler Fall weather with more moderate temperatures forecasted, masks are no longer optional.
Multiple mask breaks throughout the school day will be afforded. If non-AC spaces become uncomfortable, Administration has the opportunity to modify and adjust as necessary.

Moving forward, the District will communicate if a designated exception becomes applicable or if there is a change to EO #251.

****REMINDER: As per the BTPS “Safe Road Forward Plan” and NJDOE guidance, EXPOSED STUDENTS WEARING MASKS OR VACCINATED ARE NO LONGER CONSIDERED A “CLOSE CONTACT” AND WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO QUARANTINE.***

Please refer to the [BTPS “Safe Road Forward Plan”](#) for more detailed information on State NJDOE/NJDOH/OCDOH guidance.