



Important Masking Update

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Dear Irvington School Community,

As you may have heard, this afternoon Governor Hochul announced the lifting of the mask mandate for schools effective March 2nd. This determination is based on recent CDC guidance and the rapidly declining COVID-19 prevalence across New York State. However, in areas where there is still a high prevalence of the virus, counties and cities have the authority to enforce an indoor mask-wearing requirement. We are fortunate that Westchester County is currently in the low-risk category. Therefore, based on the Governor's announcement, one should suspect that this will apply locally and the indoor-mask wearing mandate will be lifted in our school community.

However, please be advised that the indoor mask-wearing requirement remains in full effect in the Irvington schools until such time an official District communication is released stating otherwise.

Additionally, superintendents have been advised that guidance specific to social distancing, mask requirements on buses, and other related details will be released - hopefully - tomorrow. Once all necessary information has been received/issued, I will provide the school community with an update as to where we, as a school community, are heading with respect to the indoor mask requirement.

Best regards,

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