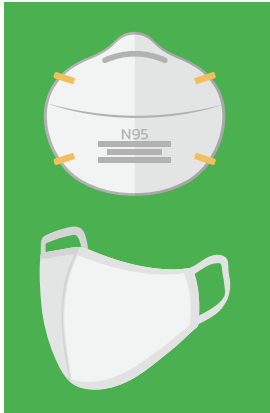


Face Coverings

When social distancing* cannot be adhered to, it is **required** that students and staff wear a face covering. The student dress code applies to face coverings and only the nose and mouth should be covered, not the full face.

All students, employees, visitors and vendors are encouraged to wear their own face covering, however, disposable face coverings will be available at all sites. Acceptable face coverings include:



- **Commercially Produced Face Coverings** – Commercially produced surgical masks or respirators are acceptable for compliance with this policy, but are not mandated.
- **Cloth Face Coverings** – Commercially produced or home-made cloth face coverings are acceptable for compliance with this policy provided the face covering covers both the mouth and nose and fits snugly against the sides of the person’s face with little to no gaps.

All student face coverings shall comply with the school’s dress code for shirts.

- **Face shields** may be used by persons to comply with this policy. Faculty are allowed to use a face shield, in lieu of a mask, when the instruction requires the students to be able to see a teacher’s face.

While maintaining social distancing (six (6) feet minimum) as much as feasible, a face covering is not required in the following instances:

- **Pre-K through Grade 2** – While a face covering is strongly recommended for students in Pre-K through Grade 2, it shall not be required.
- **Medical Certification** - A face covering shall not be required for persons who present school district staff with a certification from a licensed health care provider that the person has a medical, physical, or psychological contraindication that prevents the person from being able to safely wear a face covering.
- **IEP/504** – A face covering shall not be required for persons who have documented through an IEP or 504 plan that the person has a medical, physical, or psychological contraindication that prevents the person from being able to safely wear a face covering.
- **Students with Supervisor’s Approval** - A face covering shall not be required for a student if the school district staff supervising the student authorizes the student to remove their face covering during that activity provided that the student maintains social distancing (six (6) feet minimum) from other persons when not wearing a face covering.
- **While maintaining social distancing (six (6) feet minimum) as much as feasible, a face covering is also not required in the following instances:** eating and drinking, strenuous physical activity, during receipt of health care or exigent circumstances.

