



# Lebanon City Schools

## Mask Requirements

All staff, students, and visitors must wear a facial covering, regardless of their vaccination status, while in an indoor setting in any of Lebanon City Schools facilities. Facial coverings must be properly fit and cover both the mouth and the nose.

Facial coverings will be required when six (6) feet of social distancing is not possible in indoor settings and when students/staff will be present in that location for at least 15 minutes. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Classroom desks and tables where 6 feet of separation is not possible
- Group work or meetings where 6 feet of separation is not possible
- All students and staff must wear a face covering when boarding the bus, riding the bus, and departing the bus.
- Staff members working with small groups of students, or moving around the room to assist individuals or groups of students.

Students and staff will be given the opportunity to have mask breaks throughout the day. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Individuals will not be required to wear a facial covering if they are in the hallways due to the brevity of those interactions.
- Classrooms will be encouraged to go outside, and masks will not be required during outdoor educational opportunities or recess.
- Individuals who are communicating or seeking to communicate with someone who is hearing impaired or has another disability, where accommodations are appropriate.
- Individuals who are seated and actively consuming food or beverages.
- If face coverings hinder instruction, including instruction in a foreign language, ESL services, speech therapy, and other subjects where wearing a face covering would prohibit participation (such as playing an instrument).

Staff members will be permitted to remove their facial covering if they are:

- Working at their desk, or work station, and not within 6 feet of other individuals.
- Instructing in the front of the room, as long as they are at least six (6) feet away from students and other staff members.

A Mask Exemption Form is [available](#) and students will be required to wear a mask at school if they do not have an approved exemption form on file.

Staff members may seek a mask exemption from Human Resources if they have a medical condition that prevents them from wearing a mask. This will be handled in the same manner it was handled last school year.

Note: We will share guidelines for athletics in another document.