

The Board of Education is mindful of the evolving need for emergency measures to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. In consideration of the recommendations issued by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention and the Iowa County Health Department, the Board is adopting this emergency policy for all students, employees, volunteers, and visitors of Mineral Point School District. Every individual shall wear a mask if both the following apply:

- a. The individual is indoors or in an enclosed space.
- b. Another person or persons who are not members of an individual's household or living unit are present in the same room or enclosed space.

STUDENTS

Until further action of the Board, all students shall be required to wear a mask or face covering:

- (a) While attending school or a school function in any school building, facility or other area of a school campus; and
- (b) When riding in school-provided transportation.

All mask or face coverings must cover the nose and mouth of the student. This policy applies to students waiting outside school buildings before and after school, and to students waiting at bus stops on school premises. Students shall wear masks or face coverings at all times except for the following:

- Students may remove masks for eating or drinking.
- Students may be exempted from this policy by a review with school nurse. Must provide recent medical condition and recommendation from student care provider of reasoning of not being able to wear a face mask, and under what circumstances the exemption should be applied.
- Students may remove masks or face coverings on a case-by-case basis for specific instructional needs and other activities, if approved by school principal or school nurse, in which case the teacher will utilize appropriate social distancing measures.

Students who refuse to wear a mask or face covering at school or at a school function under this policy shall be required to leave the school campus consistent with Handbook Student Dress Codes. Students who refuse to wear a mask or face covering on a school bus shall be subject to Board Policy 443.2 Student Conduct and Student Transportation.

EMPLOYEES and VOLUNTEERS

Until further action of the Board, all employees of the Mineral Point School District shall be required to wear a mask or face covering while working or attending a school function in any school building, facility or other area of a school campus. All masks or face coverings must cover the nose and mouth of the employee. Employees shall wear masks or face coverings at all times, except for the following:

- Employees may remove masks or for eating and drinking.
- Employees may be exempted from this policy by a review with the District Administrator and school nurse. Employees must provide recent medical condition and recommendation from their care provider of reasoning of not being able to wear a face mask, and under what circumstances the exemption should be applied.
- Employees may remove masks on a case-by-case basis for specific instructional needs and other activities. Keep in mind to utilize social distancing of 6 feet.

Employees who refuse to wear a mask or face covering at school or at a school function under this policy shall be subject to Board Policy 538 Professional Staff Evaluation and state laws regarding the evaluation of employees' contracts.

VISITORS

Until further action of the Board, all visitors to the Mineral Point School District shall be required to wear a mask or face covering while present in any school building, facility or other area of a school campus.

Masks are available at school if needed.

CROSS REFERENCE: Elementary Parent-Student Handbook
 MS Handbook
 HS Student Assignment Book
 443.2 Student Conduct and Student Transportation
 538 Professional Staff Evaluation

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