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Masking Order Lifted

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Dear Palisades Community,

Today, Friday, December 10th, the PA Supreme Court ruled that the mask mandate put in place by Alison Beam, PA Department of Health Secretary in August, was not valid. Therefore, all aspects of Palisades School District Health and Safety Plan approved by the School Board on December 6th, will go into effect tomorrow, Saturday, December 11th.

Specific to masking, masks remain required under the CDC order for students riding school buses and may be implemented under the direction of the BCDH as a targeted, temporary mitigation measure in the event of an exposure or outbreak. Any exemptions from masking due to a medical condition will go through the 504 process in accordance with the ADA.

Except in the cases noted above, masks are optional for all students, employees and visitors when in school buildings.

As masks are no longer required in school buildings, Board meetings will resume in person beginning with the Fiscal Oversight Committee meeting on Monday, December 13th at 9AM in the district office conference room.

As stated in my most recent community message, two other provisions of the revised Health and Safety plan include:

- The District dashboard will continue to be used to report student positive cases. https://www.palisd.org/c_o_v_i_d-19_information/district_notifications_dashboard
- Contact tracing will only be conducted by the Bucks County Department of Health in the event of a COVID outbreak.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bridget O'Connell".

Dr. Bridget O'Connell

Superintendent

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