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Dear TUSD Families and Students:

Per California Department of Public Health (CDPH) guidance dated July 28, 2021 face coverings must be worn while *indoors at all school sites*. Should a student, staff member, and/or parent have a medical exemption that prevents them from wearing a face covering, a face shield with a drape is highly recommended and a current doctor note is required. Some possible options for face coverings are disposable masks, homemade sewn cloth masks, scarfs, and/or tightly woven fabrics. Cloth face coverings should be washed with detergent and hot water frequently and ideally after daily use. All school sites will have face masks available for students and staff. Additionally, frequent hand washing will help decrease the risk of COVID 19 transmission for all TUSD students and staff.

The following are examples of when a face covering is required to be worn on a TUSD school campus:

- Inside all classrooms and school buildings
- In the multi-purpose room or cafeteria (except when eating and drinking)
- Inside all restroom facilities
- Inside library
- Inside Science Laboratories
- Inside of school offices
- While on a school bus
- Indoor PE/weight room activity

The following are examples of when a face covering is *not required* to be worn on a TUSD school campus:

- When walking from class to class or in between class periods outdoors
- When walking to the office from the classroom outdoors
- When walking to and from the library outdoors
- When walking to the multi-purpose room or cafeteria outdoors
- When outdoors at recess and/or an outdoor break
- Outdoor PE activity

TUSD students and staff safety is our top priority as we prepare to re-open our school sites for in-person learning for the 2021-22 school year. As the CDPH Guidance for schools changes, we will be sure to communicate the updates with you. Should you have any questions regarding face covering protocols, exemptions, or other learning options, please contact your school site administrator.

Sincerely,

Brian Stephens, Ed.D. Superintendent