

ANNOUNCEMENT: Mask Survey Results



Starting Saturday morning (March 12, 2022) the School District buildings and school transportation will be "Mask optional".

Our school district will support the individual in their choice to either wear a mask or not wear a mask. This covers indoors areas, outdoor property of the school, and all school transportation as well as field trips/other events.

There will be LOTS of questions about this. We are committed to answering questions carefully and thoroughly. The school buildings will be working through several scenarios and as we develop updates we will release them.

Visitors and Volunteers have been a traditional support in our schools and 2 years of Covid restrictions caused us to greatly limit these people joining us in the schools.

When the masking requirements become optional this Saturday (3-12-22), there will be many questions around returning to pre-covid rules for visitors and volunteers. The school district is committed to carefully and thoroughly re-introducing visitors and volunteers to our schools as soon as possible. There are several new conditions that impact visitors and volunteers. The buildings will be working out the necessary changes and communicating to our visitors and volunteers before we re-open our doors.

The biggest hurdle we will face is the Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) requirement that volunteers meet the OHA vaccination requirement. There are three possible routes for a volunteer to follow to meet this requirement and there will be hurdles for the school buildings as well. This will take time to figure out and we will do so as quickly and accurately as we can.

We love our visitors and volunteers and want to find ways for everyone to continue to support our school district. Please stay tuned as information becomes available. We appreciate your patience on this. Any questions in the meantime should be addressed to the District Office.

Any volunteers interested in staying "caught up" can begin working on meeting their individual OHA requirements and/or school district background checks (as needed) and submit their paperwork to the District Office.

Thank you for your support of this effort up to this point and for your support of one another going forward in making individual choices about masking.

Jon Zwemke, RSD Superintendent