

August 4, 2021

Dear Community Members:

Today, Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker announced masks will be required for students, teachers and staff at pre-kindergarten-12th grade schools. The new measure is part of the state's ongoing effort to combat a new surge as the Delta variant rapidly spreads.

The mask requirement is inclusive of youth sports and activities, with masks now required for all indoor extracurriculars and sports. In line with CDC guidance, masks are not required for activities outdoors where transmission risks and rates are lower.

Today's announcement differs from the reopening plan our school district recently released. At this time, the Board of Education will meet to review the new rules and will be communicating with you any changes as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support of our students, and I look forward to a new school year!

Sincerely,

Ron Edwards, Superintendent