Subject: Updated Face Covering Guidance for Summer Programming

July 7, 2021

Dear Families of Students Attending Summer Programming,

Earlier today, the New York State Department of Health shared an update regarding face coverings for students attending summer instructional programming. This updated guidance allows districts to immediately implement face-covering policies that align with the NYSDOH Guidance for Child Care, Day Camp, and Overnight Camp Programs During The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. Please see the link below for the specific guidance document from the NYSDOH.


Effective tomorrow July 8, 2021, students who attend OPCSD summer programming will follow the camp guidance as outlined below:

- If your child is utilizing school-provided transportation, a face covering MUST be worn while riding the bus.
- While in the school setting, the wearing of a face covering is encouraged, but not required. *(Please know that a child always has the option of wearing a face covering if they wish to do so.)*

We will also continue to implement the following mitigation measures during our summer programming:

- We will maximize the physical distance between students based on the number of children in each class and the size of the instructional space.
- If your child is not feeling well or has any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, please keep them home.
- Thorough cleaning of all spaces will continue to be completed daily.

This updated guidance is specific to summer programming. We will continue to keep our families and school community up-to-date as further guidance for the 2021-22 school year is released by the New York State Education Department and the New York State Department of Health.

If you have any questions regarding this new guidance, please contact the director of your child’s summer program.

Sincerely,

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