

Highland School District
“Mask Advisory”
Covid-19 Precautions Policy
See Graph Below

Purpose: The intent of the policy is to provide guidance for the Highland School District “Mask Advisory” regarding the use of Covid-19 precautions based on the prevalence of Covid-19 within the Highland School District.

Source: Data to guide the parameters of the policy will be reviewed by the administrative team utilizing [Highland School District's COVID statistics](#) as its primary data source. This guideline is subject to adjustments based on guidelines received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Standard Precautions: At all levels of risk, classrooms should continue to emphasize the use of washing hands, barriers, Covid daily screening, fogging, physical distancing, and thorough disinfecting of all facilities.

Who: All staff Pre K-12 and students of K-12

What: Wearing of mask if the “Risk Level” is Red or higher based on the [website](#) for the Highland School District.

Where: Masks at all Highland School District campuses including transportation on buses and when social distancing of 6 feet or more is not an option. Athletic activities and music practice and competition are exempt from indoor masking: rigorous exercise in P.E. or recess are exempt from indoor masking. Medical Exemptions will be considered on a case to case basis with proper medical documentation.

When: The Highland Schools Mask Advisory will be determined by “Risk Levels” from the [website](#) for the Highland School District. If the “Risk Level” is Orange or lower, there will be no mask advisory declared for staff and students for the indoor venues or transportation. Masks will be recommended during the “Risk Level” Orange and lower. The district superintendent will check the website weekly and adjust district action based on [Highland school district COVID statistics Dashboard](#). The superintendent is also authorized to use local information provided by the Point of Contact, Megan Kulczycki, RN, for the district if cases in the district are such, that this data reflects a more accurate account of the current condition in the school. (ie- website’s two-week average reflects Orange, but a high number of new cases in the school aren’t as of yet reflected in the Dashboard data. The Highland School Board of Education may review this policy as needed.

COVID-19 Risk Level Assessment

Daily New Cases per 10K	Precautions
Low Risk 10-19	• Mask ○ Vaccinated - Optional/Recommended ○ Unvaccinated - Optional/Recommended
Medium 20-29	• Mask ○ Vaccinated - Optional/Recommended ○ Unvaccinated - Optional/Recommended
Moderate Risk 30-49	• Mask ○ Vaccinated - Optional/Recommended ○ Unvaccinated - Optional/Recommended
High Risk 50-99	• Mask ○ Vaccinated - Required ○ Unvaccinated - Required