

Concord Community Schools



Dear Concord Elementary Families,

I hope that this letter finds you and your household doing well. I'm reaching out to our YellowJacket families today to bring attention to Executive Order 2020-185- signed by Governor Whitmer on 9/25/20, and going into effect on Monday, October 5th, 2020. The Executive Order reads (in part) as follows:

"Given the higher incidence of cases among children in recent months, and the clear effectiveness of masking as a mitigation strategy, requiring the use of masks in the classroom even for younger students is a reasonable and necessary requirement in Regions at Phase 4 of the MI Safe Start Plan.

Acting under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, I find it reasonable and necessary, for the reasons outlined above, to order the following amendments to the Provision of preK-12 education for the 2020-2021 school year order, Executive Order 2020-142:

1. Section 2(b)(1)(D) is amended to provide: "All students in grades kindergarten and up when in classrooms."

In accordance with Executive Order 2020-185, effective October 5th, 2020, when your child arrives at school they will be required to not only wear a mask when entering the building, but also keep a mask on for the entirety of the day (with exceptions being made for lunch and during snack breaks). Students that refuse to wear their face masks will be removed from the school building and placed in online learning. The student may return to face to face instruction when they agree to comply with the face mask requirement.

I understand that this change may cause a range of reactions and emotions for both your student and your household; given the changes this Executive Order brings to your student's daily school experience, **we here at Concord understand that you may choose to transition your student from face-to-face learning to virtual learning. If this is the case, please complete this Google Form so we can best accommodate your student's new learning needs:**

<https://forms.gle/9PfE5K1FS2MpHnkAA>

This being said, if you choose to continue with face-to-face learning, we are asking that you complete this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/oCiL6yAUbM7bRzgd7>

Should you need assistance completing either form please call our main office at (517-524-6650) and we can complete it with you over the phone. Also, if your student is already learning virtually, you don't need to complete either form at this time.

I understand that this year has been full of changes, and I continue to appreciate your feedback, assistance, and patience as we learn together and build an even stronger hive. #ONEHIVE!

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