



MASK POLICY



The School District of South Milwaukee is requiring masks for students 3-years of age and older while on school premises. This includes all buildings at all times and grounds during the school day, including prior to school and after school.

- Masks or face coverings are required for all staff, students, and visitors while in the school buildings and on school grounds. Masks must be worn in hallways upon entering and exiting.
- Masks are required at all extra-curricular and athletic events for all visitors and for all student participants, as required by the school districts and WIAA guidelines.
- Students should have 2-3 masks at school each day; masks must follow the school dress code policy.
- Masks worn by students or adults may not be disruptive to the school environment.
- Masks should fit snugly and must cover the nose and mouth.
- Masks do not include bandanas, mesh masks, masks with holes/openings, masks with one-way vents or valves, or fleece gaitors. Face shields may not be worn without a mask unless the face shield has a closed bottom to catch droplets.
- Masks may be off when eating/drinking only. Students may eat breakfast in the classroom and lunch in the designated area. Snacks may be allowed in the classroom upon approval by the teacher only. Students may not eat in other locations.
- Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis for individuals for whom wearing a mask may not be safe. Requests for exceptions must be made well in advance of entering school property.
- Families who do not want to comply with the requirement to wear a mask should opt for virtual instruction.