



January 12, 2022

Dear Fenwick Family,

Based on updated guidance from the Children's Hospital Network of Ohio, Bishop Fenwick High School will temporarily require all students, staff, and visitors to wear masks or approved face coverings while inside buildings at any time. We have made this decision due to increased positivity rates and the spread of the COVID-19 Delta and Omicron variants in our community.

This temporary protocol is effective **Thursday, January 13 through Friday, January 28**, with continued monitoring of the situation.

The temporary mask requirement applies to all indoor settings.

In addition to requiring all students, staff, and visitors to wear masks in school buildings, Fenwick is adopting the Ohio Department of Health [quarantine guidelines](#). Those guidelines require anyone who tests positive for COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status or symptoms, to isolate for at least five days. Isolation may end on the sixth day if the person's "fever is gone and other symptoms are better" and the person "consistently wears a mask for the next five days."

Fenwick is also going to follow the Ohio Department of Health "[Mask to Stay](#)" and "[Test to Play](#)" guidelines regarding individuals who come into direct contact in a school setting with individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19. According to current ODH guidelines, "direct contacts, regardless of vaccination or masking status, may remain in the classroom environment if they do the following:

- Wear a mask for 10 days after last date of exposure
- Self-monitor, or parent-monitor, for symptoms of COVID-19
- Isolate and get tested if experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19 (regardless of level or severity)"

Example: Student plays a basketball game on 1/10/22. The next day, one of the student's teammates tests positive. Student is already masked for school and school events. Student is asymptomatic. Student may return to practice/play IF student has a confirmed negative test on day one. On day five following exposure (day of exposure counts as day 0), 1/16/22, the student may provide a confirmed negative test result to return to participating.

If you have any questions, please contact our school nurse, Mrs. Sue Ebding, at sebding@fenwickfalcons.org.

Yours in Service,

Blane Collison
Principal/CEO