

2020-2021 Student Face Coverings and the Code of Student Conduct (COSC)

For the 2020-2021 school year or until further notice, all students are required to wear a cloth face covering+ at bus stops, on school buses, and in school buildings unless they provide documentation from a healthcare provider that they are unable to wear a face covering due to a health condition. Face coverings are subject to the same expectations outlined in Policy 5-41 and may not depict lewd graphics, display offensive or obscene language, advertise alcohol or an illegal substance, or have any gang-affiliation. With the same parameters a face shield is an acceptable substitute, if a cloth face covering cannot be used.

Staff is required to direct the student to place the face covering over the mouth and nose. When a student is not wearing a face covering nor wearing it properly, the teacher shall tell the student to wear the face covering and/or to do so properly. Should a student refuse to wear a face covering after being told to do so by staff, then the student will be cited for violating the COSC. For incident one, two and three it should be coded as disruption and insubordination. For the fourth incident it should be coded as serious violation, disruption, and insubordination. When assigning the following discipline process especially at the elementary level, please use caution. Teachers and administrators should consider age and disability status and lean on interventions before out of school suspension (OSS) is applied.

The school administrator will follow the process listed below:

<u>Violation #</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Process</u>
1	3; Intervention	Removal from class and moved to isolation room* Administration will contact parent. If student then agrees to wear the face covering properly and at all times, the student can be returned to class. If the student has a second incident on the same day, the parent will be contacted and the student sent home for the remainder of the day.
2	5; 1 day OSS	Moved to isolation room* Contact parent; Removal from school for the remainder of the day. OSS to begin the following school day

3	5; 2 days OSS	<p>Move to isolation room*</p> <p>Contact parent; Removal from school for the remainder of the day.</p> <p>OSS to begin the following school day</p>
4	5-8 Rec considered	<p>Move to isolation room*</p> <p>Contact parent; Removal from school for the remainder of the day.</p> <p>OSS up to an expulsion recommendation effective the next school day.</p>

+ The following information is provided by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html> and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) at <https://www.aappublications.org/news/2020/08/13/covid19facecoverings081320>

- Wear your mask correctly by making sure it:
 - fits snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
 - completely covers the nose and mouth
 - is secured with ties or ear loops
 - includes multiple layers of fabric
 - allows for breathing without restriction
 - can be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape
- Bandannas are not a suitable substitute for face coverings. If a student has a bandanna, they should be directed to the nurse's office to secure a face covering and be told that bandanna's should not be worn as a face covering.

*should there be a student in the isolation room that is sick, then the student without the face covering will be placed in the school office six feet distanced from other individuals