

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING  
COVID-19 PREVENTATIVE MEASURES**

**WHEREAS**, on July 9, 2021, the State Superintendent of Education declared that beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, all schools must resume fully in-person learning for all student attendance days, except that remote instruction shall be made available to students under a quarantine protocol consistent with guidance from a local public health department or the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH);

**WHEREAS**, on July 27, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) issued updated guidance for K-12 schools, which recommends universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status. The CDC's guidance further states that children should return to full-time in-person learning with layered prevention strategies in place;

**WHEREAS**, on July 27, 2021, the State of Illinois adopted the CDC's updated guidance for K-12 schools;

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2021, Governor Pritzker issued Executive Order 2021-18 which requires that masks be worn indoors by all teachers, staff, students and visitors to Pre-K through Grade 12 schools and on public transportation conveyance (i.e., school buses), regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status;

**WHEREAS**, on August 9, 2021, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and the IDPH issued Revised Public Health Guidance for Schools, Part 5 – Supporting the Full Return to In-Person Learning for All Students August 2021, which aligns with the CDC's July 27, 2021 updated Guidance and Executive Order 2021-18;

**WHEREAS**, Kenilworth School District No. 38 (the District) must follow the Governor's Executive Orders and Guidance issued by the CDC, ISBE and/or IDPH including, but not limited

to, an order or guidance which requires that face coverings be used in schools and on school buses/transportation (collectively, the Guidance);

**WHEREAS**, the District is and has been prepared to safely welcome students, teacher and staff back to school on August 18, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Be It Resolved by the Board of Education of Kenilworth School District No. 38, Cook County, Illinois (the Board of Education), as follows:

**Section 1:** For the start of the 2021-2022 school year, the District will implement certain COVID-19 preventative measures, including universal use of face coverings subject to the exceptions below, with the goal of maintaining in-person instruction and learning in the District.

At present, the exemptions/exceptions for face coverings include:

- When individuals are eating and/or drinking in spaces and at times so designated;
- When individuals are outside;
- When individuals are using a face shield or appropriate alternative when other methods of protection are not available or appropriate, and such is approved by the District;
- Reasonable accommodation(s) due to qualifying medical or disability condition, provided such is approved by the District;
- Children are napping with close monitoring;
- Staff members are alone in their office or classroom with the door closed;
- Fully vaccinated staff are meeting with other fully vaccinated staff outside of settings where unvaccinated persons are present;
- Individuals are younger than 2 years of age, have trouble breathing, or are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the face covering without assistance.

**Section 2:** Whenever the Guidance requires that COVID-19 prevention measures be taken, including with respect to face coverings, in Illinois schools and/or on school

buses/transportation, the District shall recognize and comply with such requirements, unless an exemption or exception applies.

**Section 3:** The Superintendent or designee is hereby delegated full authority to implement and enforce the use of COVID-19 preventative measures, including face coverings for the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Further, upon any change in or withdrawal of the Guidance and until such time as this Resolution is withdrawn, modified or rescinded by the Board of Education, the Superintendent or designee is delegated full authority to establish rules and procedures, and enforce same, regarding the use of COVID-19 preventative measures, including face coverings, for the District with the goal of preserving in-person instruction and learning in the District.

**Section 4:** That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its passage.

**ADOPTED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

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Secretary, Board of Education