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Dear Parents,

As we near the end of the school year, we are also nearing the end of many mitigation strategies related to the pandemic. We have been told that Pennsylvania is still on track to lift the masking order on June 28.

Here is what we are planning with regard to masks this summer (subject to changes due to any new orders):

June 14 to June 27: Vaccinated adults do not need to wear a mask inside or outside on school grounds. We are not going to ask for any kind of verification for vaccines. More than 90% of our staff have been vaccinated. Masks will be optional.

June 28 and beyond: Masks will be optional for students and staff, including those attending our summer programs. This week the CDC issued guidance saying unvaccinated children should still wear masks, but due to the low incident rates in Chester County, the Chester County Health Department has said it supports masks being optional for school summer programs. While this could change, we are very hopeful that positivity and incidence rates will remain very low in our region and masks will not be required. Certainly, we'll keep you updated.

This has been an extremely long, challenging year, and we are all looking forward to a much more normal summer and fall. I want to once again thank the extremely dedicated, caring, passionate staff of our school district, our very supportive and involved parents, and our students who have simply been amazing.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Brighter days are ahead!

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim Scanlon, Superintendent