

# WEISER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 431

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Dear Patrons,

The Board of Trustees for the Weiser School District held a Special Board Meeting this morning to consider changes to the District's Pandemic Operations Plan.

Under the former plan, students and staff were required to wear face coverings when six feet of physical distancing was not able to be maintained between individuals. When distancing was able to be maintained, face coverings were not required.

Considering current local conditions and several other factors, the Board elected to remove the requirement for face coverings and, instead, "Recommend" that face coverings be worn by students, staff, and visitors during the school day and at school events, even when the six foot distancing guideline cannot be maintained.

The change goes into effect immediately.

Should conditions change, the district may elect to reinstitute the face covering mandate at any time.

There is no change to the quarantine guidelines as currently established by the Centers for Disease Control for those who have had close contact with a COVID positive person.

Additionally, the Board voted to update the Pandemic Operations Plan to include language that the District will "consider" the *recommendations* provided by the CDC, Southwest District Health, and other pertinent organizations. However, the District will still adhere to any mandates.

In another action, the Board authorized Weiser High School to investigate alternatives to holding this year's High School Graduation Ceremony in the high school gymnasium, where attendance will have to be limited to 40% gym capacity as per current State Board of Education regulations for school activities. With graduation just over two weeks away, details as a result of any new planning will be made public as soon as they are available.

Respectfully,

Wade Wilson, Superintendent

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