



# JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Jamestown School District Families,

First of all, I want to thank all of you for working with the district to create and maintain a healthy and safe learning environment. This has been such a challenging couple of years navigating and responding to the pandemic, and I feel we are all very tired to say the least. I greatly appreciate your cooperation with the district as we have held firm in our decision to follow the school guidance requirements as outlined by CDPH and Local Public Health. At this time, state universal masking requirements and CDPH K-12 school guidance has been revised and masking will no longer be required in schools. The changes will go into effect at the end of day on March 11, 2022.

**On Monday, March 14, 2022 Jamestown School District will no longer require masking at school for students or staff.** The change in guidance does still strongly recommend that anyone in the school setting should still mask, regardless of vaccine status in indoor settings. The district will continue to allow masking, and will provide masks to both students and staff for volunteer use. However, to be clear, the district will no longer enforce masking.

With the upcoming changes lifting required masking guidance to strongly recommended, it will be even more important for everyone to health screen and follow prevention guidelines. If your child is not feeling well and/or has any COVID-like symptoms, please keep your child home until they feel better, and call the attendance line. If your child is ill at school, you will be immediately notified and asked to pick up your child. All quarantine and isolation requirements and timelines are still in effect, including the requirement of a negative COVID test on day five (5) in order to return to school under modified quarantine. As a reminder, if your child is fully vaccinated and exposed to a positive case at school, they will be able to remain at school in person and will not have to quarantine. If your child(ren) is fully vaccinated, please be sure that the school office has the proof of vaccination on record. If you are interested in information about vaccinations or making an appointment, you may sign up on <https://myturn.ca.gov>.

As directed by Cal-OSHA guidelines, the district will continue to complete weekly staff surveillance testing, direct staff to health screen daily, and to stay home when sick. The district will continue to encourage students and staff to follow appropriate hygiene procedures and frequent hand washing/ sanitizing, and to implement all cleaning and disinfecting protocols. The District's COVID Safety Plan will be revised to reflect all of these changes.

If these changes in masking for in person instruction are of concern to you in regards to the health and safety of your child(ren), long term independent study is an educational option. If interested in learning more about the independent study program, please contact the district office at (209)984-4058.

In partnership,

Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent