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Dear Skaneateles family,

Given the recent order from Governor Cuomo and several parent inquiries, we are reaching out to clarify recent changes to rules regarding mask-wearing in school. In compliance with New York State mandates, please see the following:

- While indoors, the rules regarding mask-wearing in schools remain unchanged. Masks are required.
- Masks are required at all times while traveling on school busses. This rule remains unchanged.
- The recent Governor's order now permits students to remove their masks while *outdoors* and while participating in outdoor Physical Education classes and athletics.

In consideration of concerns over the heat at this time of year, we will allow additional time for mask breaks throughout the day. While we will permit masks to be removed outdoors moving forward, the ultimate decision to allow children to remove masks outdoors rests with our parents and families. If you prefer that your child continue to wear their mask, they are free to do so. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's classroom teacher or building principal.

Thank you for your continued partnership.

Stronger together,

Eric Knuth Superintendent of Schools

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