

# North East Independent School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Thank you for your continued support as we continue to navigate this unusual school year in the midst of a pandemic. I want to let you know about some changes to our District's safety plan voted on by the Board of Trustees on Monday, April 12, 2021. Effective Wednesday April 13, 2021, masks will continue to be worn during the school day with limited exceptions.

## **Physical Education**

- When outdoors, masks do not need to be worn by students if they have enough room to socially distance at least 6 feet away from others
- PE Teachers may remove their masks during outdoor activities if they are more than 6 feet away from others

## **Volunteers/Guests on Campus**

- A limited number of guests on campus are allowed (50% capacity in any room or max of 50 guests, if not visiting the same area)
- Self-screening prior to entry and use of face masks is required
- Visitors should schedule their attendance in advance
- Signing in and out is required
- Eating with students is not permitted

## **PTA Meetings**

- Allow up to 50% capacity of meeting room
- Self-screening prior to entry and use of face masks is required
- Hand sanitization stations at all entrances
- No food or drinks served at meetings
- Continue to allow for virtual attendance
- Encourage social distancing between household groups

## **Award Ceremonies/ Indoor Recognition Events**

- Allow up to 50% capacity of room (students and guests)
- Self-screening prior to entry and use of face masks is required
- Encourage RSVPs prior to event to plan for spacing
- Social distancing between students
- Encourage social distancing between household groups
- No food or drinks served, packaged snacks or treats taken to-go are permitted
- Students may remove mask when receiving their award/taking photo

## **End of Year Parties/Celebrations**

- Held outdoors if feasible, especially if food or drink will be allowed
- Food and drink allowed outdoors

- Masks required
- Students may remove masks outdoors when eating if social distance is maintained
- Total number in attendance must allow for social distancing
- Food and drink should be packaged in single servings, no buffet-style service

**Classroom Supplies**

- Objects which may be cleaned can be shared in a well-supervised environment in which masks are worn
- Hand hygiene is required before and after use of shared objects
- Objects should be cleaned between users

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact [mechar@neisd.net](mailto:mechar@neisd.net)

Sincerely,

Melvin C. Echard, Acting Principal