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Mask Mandate Compliance in Schools

WHEREAS, Waukegan CUSD 60 School Board passed Policy [8002-2020](#) on August 25, 2020, and

WHEREAS, Board Policy [8002-2020](#) includes language about face coverings as shown in this [excerpt](#), and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 100 as summarized [here](#) includes language about exclusionary discipline and “zero tolerance” policies, and

WHEREAS, the Parent Teacher Advisory Committee is tasked with advising the School Board on pupil discipline,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Parent Teacher Advisory Committee (PTAC) respectfully requests of the School Board and District Administration that:

1. A generous supply of masks based on student enrollment and staffing are to be made available in each school building and classroom to be distributed to students, parents, visitors, and staff in need without question or comment.
2. Parents are to be given resources to help educate their children about the importance of wearing masks in school and to practice with their child wearing a mask for an extended period of time (between 4-6 hours), such practice time may also be incorporated into remote learning time prior to the start of in-person instruction.
3. Students that cannot wear a mask per medical documentation will need to constantly remain at a 6 foot distance with alternate PPE in place. A plan and resources should be shared with the teachers 7 days prior to return to in-person instruction.
4. Teachers are to be given resources (including additional support) and training for sharing mask compliance expectations with students and ways to re-teach in moments when a student is not properly wearing a mask.
5. Students are to be given opportunities to learn how to correctly wear a mask and remain with Hybrid and in-person instruction. Student compliance efforts in the first instance shall be consistent with the District’s obligation to teach students about and promote the development of healthy behaviors and good character and citizenship.
6. Students who refuse to comply with the mask mandate will be subject to progressive discipline. Corrective measures, when necessary, shall be done in accordance with the Parent Student Handbook on Rights and Responsibilities; separating the student from the classroom when absolutely necessary up to reassignment to remote only instruction.

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