RESOLUTION OF WPS60 PARENT-TEACHER ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO REQUEST OF THE WAUKEGAN COMMUNITY UNIT #60 SCHOOL DISTRICT

RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING MASK MANDATE COMPLIANCE

(Approved by Unanimous Vote at Special Meeting of PTAC, February 3, 2021.)

WHEREAS, Waukegan CUSD 60 School Board passed Policy <u>8002-2021</u> on August 25, 2020, and

WHEREAS, Board Policy <u>8002-2021</u> includes language about face coverings as shown in this excerpt, and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 100 as summarized <u>here</u> 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 replenishable, generous supply of masks based on three times the 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 and guardians are to be given resources in both Spanish and English 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 who cannot wear a mask per provided, specific medical documentation will need to constantly remain at a 6 foot distance with alternate Personal Protective Equipment in use as recommended by the CDC and IDPH. A plan and resources should be shared with the teachers and staff 7 calendar days prior to return to in-person instruction.
- 4. All staff 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. All staff members in each school receive training on body positive language to avoid public or private shaming during mask correction for students.

- 5. Students will be expected to comply with state and federal mask mandates at all times when in school.
- 6. Students who refuse to comply with the mask mandate will be subject to progressive discipline. 1st instance to result in counseling/ reteaching/ documenting in PLP contact log and parent contact when possible. 2nd instance to result in an oral warning with parent contact by principal or other administrator. 3rd instance to result in remote learning for one week. 4th instance to result in remote learning for the remainder of the school year.