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Dear Notre Dame School Parents and Guardians;

After emailing out our Parent/Guardian letter yesterday (March 30) regarding masks in grades 4-9, BC schools received further guidance through the [Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#). Below is an excerpt from page 29 of this document:

"All students in Grades 4-12 are required to wear a mask or a face shield (in which case a non-medical mask should be worn in addition to the face shield) indoors in school and on school buses both within and outside of their learning group.

Students in Grades K to 3 are encouraged to wear a mask indoors in schools and on school buses, but are not required to do so - mask wearing remains a personal or family/caregiver choice for these students, and their choices must be respected." (Page 29)

All BC schools are required to follow the Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings. As such, face masks are required for all Notre Dame School students in Grades 4-7. Please ensure your child in Grades 4-7 has a face mask with them each school day. The mask should be washed after each day or a new mask provided for the next day.

Exceptions are made for staff and students who cannot wear a mask for medical or other reasons; please contact Mrs. Colleen Richard if this pertains to you. The guidance outlined above regarding mask requirements does not apply to staff, students and visitors in the following circumstances:

- to a person who cannot tolerate wearing a mask for health or behavioural reasons;
- to a person who is unable to put on or remove a mask without the assistance of another person;
- if the mask is removed temporarily for the purposes of identifying the person wearing it;
- if the mask is removed temporarily to engage in an educational activity that cannot be performed while wearing a mask (e.g. playing a wind instrument, engaging in high-intensity physical activity, etc.);
- if a person is eating or drinking;
- if a person is behind a barrier; or
- while providing a service to a person with a disability or diverse ability (including but not limited to a hearing impairment) where visual cues, facial expressions and/or lip reading/movements is important.



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The entire document can be viewed [HERE](#). Pages 28 to 30 are specific to the use of face masks.

The Daily Health Check created by the Ministry of Education, Public Health and the BCCDC must be completed before heading to school in the morning. Students who are ill are not to attend school and are to call 811 for further direction.

- [Mobile enabled website](#)
- [iPhone app](#)
- [Google Android app](#)

Thank you for working with Notre Dame School to keep our community safe.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Colleen Richard
Principal, Notre Dame School