

FHCI - Face Coverings and Masks

Students must wear **non-medical masks or face coverings** while at school.

Parents and students should remember:

- To pack multiple snug and comfortable masks/face coverings each day.
- That schools will have extra masks on hand for those who forget. *Schools will provide students with disposable masks to wear.*
- *Please note: 2 reusable masks will be given to each student next week **must be washed before use**.*
- To bring a breathable bag (paper or cloth) to store soiled masks, as well as a bag to store masks during outdoor breaks.
- That staff will provide an outdoor break in the school day to take a break from wearing masks/face coverings.

Proper Use of a Mask/Face Covering

- Do not share your mask/face covering with others.
- Wash your hands before putting on and after taking off a mask/face covering.
- Place the mask/face covering over your nose, mouth and chin.
- Avoid touching your face and mask/face covering while using it.
- Change your mask/face covering as soon as it is moist or dirty.
- After wearing for a day, disposable masks/face coverings should be discarded and not used again. Elastic straps should be cut prior to disposal.
- Do not leave your mask/face covering tucked under your chin, hanging from your ear, or on your forehead.
- Remove the mask/face covering by the ear loops without touching the front of the mask.
- After wearing reusable cloth masks/face coverings, put in a plastic bag or directly in the laundry bin to be washed after use.
- Launder cloth masks/face coverings with other items using the hot cycle and dryer, or follow the care instructions provided by the manufacturer.

FHCI - Physical Distancing

- Students and staff will practice physical distancing and remain 2 metres apart to the maximum extent possible.
- Classrooms have been organized to encourage the maximum space between students.
- Floors will be marked with stickers to designate a one-way traffic flow and identifying 2 metre distances.
- Signage will be placed throughout the building to reinforce safety protocols.
- Our goal is to maintain physical distancing whenever possible. In order to reduce the potential for larger gatherings of students, we will be limiting occupancy levels in common areas such as hallways, stairwells and libraries.
- Lockers will not be used by students at this time.

In opting to return to school in person, students and families are committing to following these expectations. Families are asked to review these expectations with their students prior to the return to school.

All students play a part in creating a climate that is safe and supportive of others.