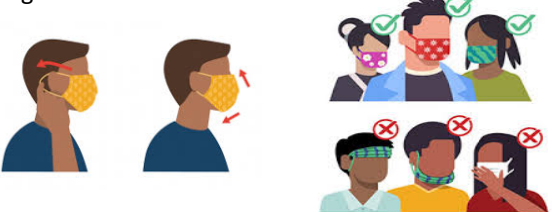


DMPS Face Cover Guidelines

All students, staff, visitors and parents will be required to wear a face covering that always covers their mouth and nose when in district buildings. Staff and students will be required to supply their own cloth face coverings. However, when needed, cloth face coverings will be available to employees in SM/MED and LG/XL. Cloth face coverings will be available to students on an as needed basis.

Staff: If you have an inability to wear a face mask, please supply a doctor's note to Cathy McKay at catherine.mckay@dmschools.org for cloth face covering exceptions. Refusal of an employee to wear a cloth face covering will be addressed on an individual basis by your immediate supervisor.

Students: If you have concerns about your student wearing a cloth face covering and/or has an inability to wear a mask, please reach out to your school nurse. Additional communication will be provided for students and families about refusal to wear a cloth face covering while at school.

FAQ's	Guidelines/Resources
<p>How to stop the spread of COVID 19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who don't live in the same household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain • Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others • Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings • Wash your hands often • Maintain social distancing <p>What is a face covering: Video, youth friendly Description of different kinds of cloth face coverings CDC Considerations for wearing a face covering CDC Prevent getting sick</p>
<p>What can I do at school to stop the spread?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear a cloth face covering that covers the nose and mouth, follow wear & care guidelines, carry a spare clean face covering with you • Follow other safety measures: maintain distance from others, wash hands often, report symptoms of illness to an adult
<p>How to make a cloth face cover</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When a person coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice, respiratory droplets are released and travel through the air. Cloth Face coverings are recommended as a simple barrier to prevent these droplets from touching another person. <p>CDC Tutorial: Sew and No Sew CDC Video from the Surgeon General-youth friendly</p>
<p>How to wear a cloth face cover</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash your hands before putting on your face covering • Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin • Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face • Make sure you can breathe easily <p>Youth friendly wear a cloth face covering CDC Wear/Care Do's and Don'ts of wearing a cloth face covering: This is good advice for anyone who wears a cloth face covering, not just health care personnel. Kids Health Video (scroll to bottom of page)</p> 
<p>How to wash a cloth face cover</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloth face coverings should be washed after each use. It is important to always remove face coverings correctly and wash your hands after handling or touching a used face covering. <p>CDC Washing Guidelines: By hand and/or washing machine</p>
<p>Who should not wear a face cover?</p>	<p>Per CDC: Exceptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anyone 2 years of age or younger • Anyone who has trouble breathing • Anyone who is unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance

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<p>Cloth face covering breaks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To reduce the spread of COVID-19, CDC recognizes there are specific instances when wearing a cloth face covering may not be feasible. In these instances, adaptations and alternatives should be considered whenever possible. If cloth face coverings cannot be used, make sure to take other measures to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread, including social distancing, frequent hand washing, and cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces. <p>Possible Indications for a cloth face covering break:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eating: During snack and mealtimes, students/staff will need to remove their cloth face coverings. Additional measures will be implemented to reduce the risk of Covid-19 spread, including hand hygiene, social distancing, cloth face covering storage, and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces. Nap Time: It may be difficult for younger children (e.g., preschool or early elementary aged) to wear cloth face coverings for a longer period of time, and to wear them properly. It may also be unsafe for a child to wear cloth face coverings during certain activities, such as napping. Additional measures will be implemented to reduce the risk of Covid-19 spread, including hand hygiene, social distancing, cloth face covering storage, and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces. Wearing of cloth face coverings may be prioritized at times when it is difficult to maintain social distancing. CDC Source Notes: While on a cloth face covering break, please follow other safety measures, including social distancing, frequent hand washing, and cleaning/disinfecting frequently touched surfaces <p>Storage ideas for cloth face coverings (this will be building specific):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper Bag Storage for used cloth face coverings: Video Bringing multiple cloth face coverings to school and placing dirty cloth face coverings in a sealable bag to wash at home Using Hooks to hang cloth face covering under desk
<p>Additional Questions</p>	<p>What is the protocol if a cloth face covering gets dirty at school? What if they get a bloody nose?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please have the student bring an extra cloth face covering to school Buildings will have extra cloth face coverings available for emergencies <p>Do students have to wear a cloth face covering on the bus?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wearing a cloth face covering on the bus is very important! Please ensure students have a cloth face covering on when getting on the bus.