



Face Covering Exemption Form

Everyone in RPS has a shared responsibility to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Face coverings are meant to protect other people in case the wearer does not know they are infected. Students who cannot tolerate a face covering due to a developmental, medical, or behavioral health condition may be exempt from wearing one in school. An exemption form must be signed by a parent/guardian and a medical authority.

Definitions:

- **Face Covering:** a cloth or paper mask, scarf, bandana, gaiter, or religious face covering that covers the mouth and nose.
- **Face Shield:** Clear shield that extends below the chin in the front, to the ears on the sides and with no gap between the forehead and the headpiece.
- **Medical Authority:** A medical doctor, psychiatrist, clinical psychologist, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner (generally a person licensed to write prescriptions in Minnesota).

Student Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Student Grade _____ Home Address _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____ School Building _____

Medical Authority Printed Name _____

Medical Authority Signature _____

Office/Clinic Address _____ Phone _____

List the medical reason an exemption or face shield is warranted _____

Can a face shield be worn instead of a mask?

- No
 Yes

Is a medical exemption required? (No mask OR face shield)

- No
 Yes

If yes, what alternative mitigation strategy is suggested? _____

Parent/Guardian: Return this form to your child's principal.