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June 8, 2021

Dear Orange-Ulster BOCES Community,

On Monday, June 7, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that the State would not be issuing amended guidance for wearing masks inside school buildings for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

The updated NYSDOH guidance states:

“Effective June 7, 2021. Face masks are not required to be worn outdoors on school grounds.”

BOCES is lifting the outdoor mask requirement immediately, but we will honor the rights of individuals who choose to wear masks in the outdoor setting.

Please note that the other precautions that BOCES has implemented to mitigate against the spread of COVID-19 will remain in effect. This includes wearing masks indoors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'William J. Hecht'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

William J. Hecht  
Chief Operating Officer