



Due to rising cases of COVID-19 in Johnson County as well as the presence of the Delta variant, the Shawnee Mission School District (SMSD) will require masking of all children at the elementary level until such a time that all students have the opportunity to be fully vaccinated. Staff working in elementary settings that are fully vaccinated may opt out of masking with proof of vaccination.



Masks are optional for fully vaccinated individuals in all other SMSD locations.



MASKING:

(Elementary) Masks are required for all children at the elementary level until such a time as all students have the opportunity to be fully vaccinated.

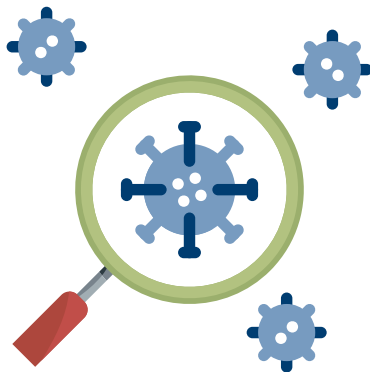
(Secondary) It is strongly recommended that unvaccinated individuals continue to mask until fully vaccinated (two weeks after the last dose in series).

*Individuals do not need to mask when outdoors. This includes students participating in elementary recess.



VACCINATIONS:

It is recommended that all eligible individuals receive the COVID-19 vaccination. Vaccination has proven to be the most effective means for individual protection against COVID-19 and in halting the transmission of COVID-19. It is strongly recommended that unvaccinated individuals continue to mask until fully vaccinated (2 weeks after the last dose in series).



EXCLUSION:

Fully vaccinated individuals will not be quarantined with an exposure unless they are/become symptomatic. COVID-19 positive individuals will be excluded from school/activities for 10 days and 24 hour symptom improvement.