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TO: PENNCREST School Community
FROM: Dr. Timothy S. Glasspool *LSB*
DATE: December 1, 2021
RE: *The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Middle District Order*

Pennsylvania schools must maintain masking orders until the Pennsylvania Supreme Court hears oral arguments on December 8, 2021. This latest ruling overturns a Commonwealth Court decision that lifted masking guidelines on December 4, 2021. **Masks are required in all Pennsylvania schools until the Pennsylvania Supreme Court rules, or until January 17, 2022.**

- Effective until further notice, the wearing of a mask or face covering in our schools is required, unless a Section 3 exemption is approved. [November 30, 2021 PA Supreme Court Order](#)
- PENNCREST is still required to case investigate and contact trace positive COVID-19 cases, notify close contacts and quarantine individuals from school. A close contact is still defined as an individual who is unvaccinated or unmasked and within 6 feet of an infected individual for 15 minutes. We understand there are exceptions to this general definition and will take appropriate action.
- Students, staff and visitors who are exhibiting COVID-19 signs and symptoms will be immediately sent home.
- [PENNCREST 21-22 SY Health & Safety Plan](#)
- In the event that spread requires a school closure, all education will immediately transition to online learning.
- Please contact the PENNCREST Superintendent's Office with all questions and concerns. We appreciate your continued flexibility.
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