COVID-19 Face Mask Decision-Making Guide

Updated weekly on Fridays with the latest data

This guide outlines Spring Lake Park Schools approach to face masks during the COVID-19 pandemic and is effective through the end of the school year, June 9, 2022.

Spring Lake Park Schools strongly recommends that all students, staff and visitors wear face masks regardless of vaccination status when there is high transmission of COVID-19 in our community. This recommendation is consistent with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Minnesota Department of Health.

School-Based Indicator - for requiring face masks

School-level data will be used to inform school-level masking requirements. There is no district-wide indicator.

June 3, 2022:

- 34 active COVID-19 cases reported within our schools
- No schools require face masks the week of June 6.

See the <u>COVID-19 hub</u> for the latest numbers by school.

PreK-Grade 12

- We will temporarily require face masks at a school if/when the school reaches a critical threshold of 5 percent or more students and staff absent due to positive cases of COVID-19 or symptoms consistent with COVID-19. This is consistent with Minnesota Department of Health recommendations for previously existing influenza-like illness guidelines.
- Data is reviewed each Friday. If/when the data directs us to require face masks, that requirement will be in place for the following week. Changes would occur, as needed, week-by-week.