



## Student Face Covering Medical Exemption

Per the [Minnesota Department of Health Best Practice Recommendations for COVID-19 Prevention in Schools for the 2021-22 School Year](#) universal indoor masking is recommended for all people in the school setting (ages 2 years and older), including teachers, students, and visitors to schools, regardless of vaccination status.

Students who cannot wear a face covering due to a medical, developmental, or behavioral condition may be exempt from wearing a face covering in school. Determination of whether a student is exempt from the face covering requirement involves consultation with a licensed healthcare provider who is qualified to diagnose the health condition at hand.

The Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (MNAAP) is in strong support of children wearing face coverings with limited exceptions for compliance. The MNAAP recommends considering whether a person is capable of physically removing the mask in the event of an emergency. If yes, they should generally wear one.

- **Face Covering:** A cloth or paper/disposable mask, scarf, bandana, neck gaiter, or religious covering that covers the mouth and nose.
- **Face Shield:** A clear shield that extends below the chin in the front, to the ears on the sides, with no gap between the forehead and headpiece; may be used in specific circumstances.

<b>Student Name</b>		<b>Date of Birth</b>
<b>Student ID</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Grade</b>
<b>Parent/Guardian Printed Name</b>	<b>Parent/Guardian Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

### Licensed Healthcare Provider Section

<p>A. Can a face covering be worn? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, why not? _____</p> <p>B. Can a face shield be worn? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, why not? _____</p> <p>C. Health condition that makes it necessary for a face covering exemption: _____</p>
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<b>Licensed Healthcare Provider Printed Name</b>	<b>Licensed Healthcare Provider Signature</b>
<b>Clinic Name/Contact</b>	<b>Date</b>