



# BLIND BROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## **COVID Protocols/Mask Mandates**

Dear Blind Brook Community:

Over the past year, our school district has been remarkably successful in limiting the impact of COVID-19 through a series of purposeful and well-managed interventions.

These positive results are attributable to the hard work and collaboration among Blind Brook administrators, teachers, and support staff in keeping our students and one another safe during the worst of the pandemic. Our conscientious parents were also key to keeping our schools safe.

As we approach the end of a very challenging school year, we are very excited to once again plan some of the customary student inspired celebrations.

Frustration over mask-wearing has surfaced at a time when we need to persevere. Despite recent media attention, school districts have not received updated guidance from the NYS Department of Health (NYSDOH) regarding mask-wearing. Masks on school campus are still required.

If we receive updated guidance from the NYSDOH that requires a change, then these new directives will be communicated with our families as we have faithfully done throughout the pandemic.

Respectfully,

Dr. Patrick Brimstein  
Superintendent of Schools