



BLIND BROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Mask Wearing Mandate Remains in Effect

Dear Blind Brook Community:

Mask wearing in Blind Brook Schools remains in effect. Maintaining current mitigation strategies that have proven effective represents the most responsible course of action.

In a press conference on June 7th, Governor Andrew Cuomo stated that NYS will no longer require students to wear masks when participating in outdoor activities on school grounds.

The CDC has announced no plan to update guidance for school districts on the use of masks indoors; therefore, the current indoor mask requirement in schools remains in place.

Governor Cuomo stated that all health guidelines on social distancing, venue capacity restrictions, and cleaning remain in place until NYS has a minimum 70% immunization rate.

Youth, 12 years of age and up, are now receiving vaccinations but have yet to near this threshold. Currently, students younger than 12 do not have access to the vaccination program.

The mask requirement in Blind Brook Schools will remain in place until the end of the current school year. Outdoor mask breaks will continue to be supervised.

Our responsibility remains to safeguard the health of all students, teachers, and staff members in our schools.

Respectfully,

Dr. Patrick Brimstein
Superintendent of Schools