CPS Masking Policy

CPS strongly recommends wearing a mask in school. Masks significantly reduce your chances of getting COVID-19.

Some students and staff will choose — or need — to wear a mask. Other students and staff will choose not to wear a mask. Choosing whether or not to wear a mask can be a deeply personal decision, and it is important that all students and staff respect each other’s choices about mask-wearing.

There are certain situations when masks will be required in school:

- Anyone returning from isolation due to a positive COVID-19 test must wear a mask for ten days after the positive test.

- If a student or staff member has been identified as a close contact — meaning they have been exposed to COVID-19 — they must wear a mask for ten days after exposure.

- If there is an outbreak in a classroom, individuals in the classroom must wear a mask for ten days.

- A classroom can be directed to mask by the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH).

Learn more about what CPS is doing to keep everyone safe and healthy at cps.edu/covid.