CPS Masking Policy

CPS 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 who tests positive for COVID-19 must isolate for five days and wear a mask for five additional days upon returning to school.
- If a student or staff member has been exposed to COVID-19, it is highly recommended they 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.