

# STUDENT FACE COVERING GUIDE

## FACE COVERING MEANS

- » A cloth or paper disposable mask, scarf, bandana, or religious face covering that covers the mouth and nose completely.

## FACE SHIELD MEANS

- » A clear face shield that extends below the chin in the front, to the ears on the sides and with no gap between the forehead and the headpiece.



Students are encouraged to **Bring Their Own Mask (BYOM)**. Disposable face coverings are available in each ISD 728 office.

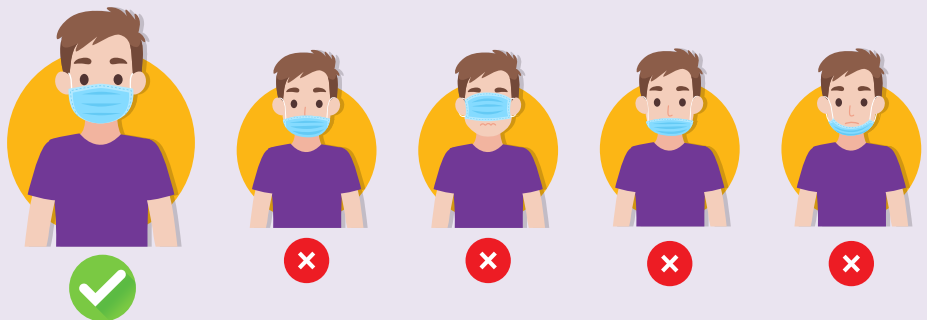
## FACE COVERING DOES NOT MEAN

- » Any mask or other item that includes a valve, hole, gaps or openings to facilitate easier breathing, or is made of a material such as mesh with such openings.
- » Safety goggles that cover only the eyes or only the eyes and nose.

## FACE COVERING REQUIRED

- » When I am moving through the building - including classrooms, hallways, communal spaces, and public spaces.
- » When I am outdoors in situations where social distancing cannot be maintained.
- » On all District-provided transportation.

## WEAR YOUR FACE COVERING CORRECTLY



## FACE COVERING EXEMPTIONS

- » Individuals with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that makes it unreasonable to maintain a face covering.
- » If there is a medical reason that a student cannot wear a face covering or face shield, a parent must present medical documentation to Health Services.
- » If there is a developmental or behavioral reason that a student cannot wear a face covering or a face shield, a parent must work with their 504 or IEP team.
- » **NOTE:** Children who are under two years old should never wear a face covering.

## FACE COVERING ALTERNATIVES

- » Face coverings are preferred; however, face shields will be allowed for students if they comply with the above description of what a face shield is.

## FACE COVERINGS MAY BE TEMPORARILY REMOVED

- » When engaging in indoor physical activity (e.g., during recess, after school sports, or when exercising in a gym) where the level of exertion makes wearing a face covering difficult, and during classes or activities held outdoors.
- » When pre-kindergarten students age 5 years and younger are participating in programming in a school building or district office.
- » To eat or drink, but care should be taken to maintain as much space as possible between people.
- » During indoor practices or performances involving singing, acting, or playing musical instruments where face coverings cannot be worn or are impractical to wear while playing the instrument.

