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Revisions to WINGS Mask Policy

May 25, 2021

WINGS has revised our mask policy and procedures for students to include necessary student exemptions effective immediately.

As required by the California Department of Education and with guidance from the Center for Disease Control, face coverings must be used in accordance with California Department of Public Health guidelines. Therefore, WINGS students in all grade levels continue to be required to wear face coverings at all times while at school, unless exempted. Exemptions apply under the following specific conditions:

- The Student is unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
- The Student is unable to limit sucking, drooling, or having excess saliva on the mask.
- When the ability to see the students' mouth is essential for communication.
- When the mask may become an impediment to learning and/or safety, such as a behavioral or hygienic episode.
- When an existing medical condition requires exemption and a doctor's note is provided.

Face masks are required for all students that do not meet these exemption guidelines. Face masks continue to be required for all faculty, staff, and volunteers, as well as anyone in **WINGS** facilities.

WINGS believes that the ability to wear a face mask is a life skill that creates independence and community access for our students; therefore, face masks will continue to be encouraged for all students.

The following face coverings are provided:

- A cloth mask for each student and each staff member.
- A face shield to students and staff upon request.
- We keep a limited supply of disposable masks on hand.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the revisions to our mask policy or if you are unsure if your student qualifies for an exemption, please contact us at the following:

Executive Director Alicia Jennings at jennings@wingslearningcenter.org

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Thank you for your commitment and support of **WINGS!**

