

MASKS

Masks will be required at St. David Schools for at least 'Phase 1" of our school opening. If you have medical documentation signed by a physician that will suffice as your waiver. However, even with documentation from a physician, we will look for an alternative option for a face covering. Some options include a face shield or a neck-gaiter. If you do not have medical documentation from a physician, please email me. I would be happy to look at alternate options for your child. As I have researched this subject, I have learned that the only way we are going to be able to open as well as stay open, face coverings must be worn at all times (where proper distancing can't be accomplished). Masks can be uncomfortable. Masks can be bothersome. Masks can sometimes make you sweat or itch. I agree. I agree. I agree, and there are many more reasons. I do not like masks, but these are the reasons why I will always have a mask or a neck-gaiter when school opens:

- 1) Respect for others
- 2) It is required in order to be able to open up our school
- 3) Protect the district
- 4) I want to give students and families the option of distance learning/in-person
- 5) Once we open, I do not want to get shut down by the county, state or health dept.

I understand this is tough subject with the majority of our community not liking nor agreeing with this mask situation. However, I want to open up our school, and if we don't work hard to play our part, I am concerned we may be forced back to distance learning as the only option for our students. This mask debate is splitting school staffs and communities apart throughout the nation. Please do your part to make sure we aren't one of those schools and one of those communities. I want to be able to stay in school.

THANK YOU,

KYLE HART, Superintendent