

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
EFFINGHAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

ERIC PALS as the parent and guardian of )  
 student J.P, JACOB AND CHRISTINA )  
 THOMPSON as the parents and guardians )  
 of student H.T., GREG AND ROSINA )  
 ESKER as the parents and guardians of )  
 student A.E. )

Plaintiffs, )

VS. )

TEUTOPOLIS UNIT #50 SCHOOLS, )  
 a body politic and corporate, MATTHEW )  
 STURGEON as Superintendent of )  
 TEUTOPOLIS UNIT #50 SCHOOLS )

Defendants. )

Case No. 2021-MR-140

**FILED**

**SEP 15 2021**

*J.R.L.*  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
 EFFINGHAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**ORDER FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ~~WITHOUT~~ NOTICE**

This cause coming to be heard on Plaintiff's Motion for Temporary Restraining Order, notice having been given; the Court having considered Emergency Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order finds as follows:

1. Plaintiffs have filed a Verified Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Writ of Injunction, as well as a Verified Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction.
2. Plaintiffs have shown there exists a clearly ascertainable right in need of protection, namely that the Children, while on school property, are being forced to utilize a device to allegedly prevent the spread of an infectious disease without a lawful order of quarantine having issued against them by the local health department.
3. Plaintiff has shown, have shown there is a fair question that Plaintiff's will succeed on the merits in that the Children cannot be required to utilize a device to allegedly

prevent the spread of an infectious disease absent, *inter alia*, an order of quarantine issuing against any or all of the Children from the local health department.

4. Plaintiffs have shown they will suffer irreparable harm if an injunction does not issue, namely the Children are being refused access to their education unless they unwillingly utilize a device to allegedly prevent the spread of an infectious disease even in the absence of a quarantine order against them; and

5. It is clear from the pleadings that <sup>Nothing</sup>~~given~~ in this order precludes the local health department from issuing a lawful order of quarantine against any or all of the Children, which could compel them to utilize a device to prevent the spread of an infectious disease.

6. This lawful remedy which has long been available to the health department <sup>to</sup>~~of~~ protect the public health balances the equities in favor of the issuance of this order.

7. Plaintiff's have shown that it has no adequate remedy at law or in equity in that absent the issuance of a temporary restraining order, the Plaintiffs have no way to temporarily maintain the Children's right to be free from having a device forced upon them to allegedly prevent the spread of an infectious disease.

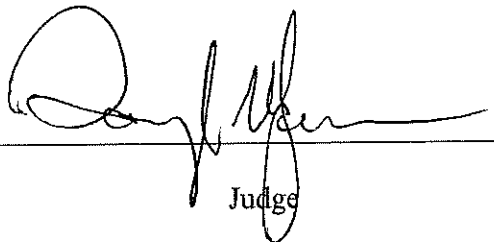
WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

A. While the Children are on school property, the Defendants, are enjoined from requiring any or all of the Children to utilize any type of device, including a mask, for the purposes of allegedly preventing the spread of an infectious disease unless an order of quarantine has issues against any or all of the Children from the local health department as required by the Illinois State Board of Education.

- B. Nothing in this order shall prohibit the local health department, or the Illinois Department of Health, from issuing a lawful order of quarantine against any or all of the Children as allowed by law.
- C. This Temporary Restraining Order shall remain in full force and effect for 30 days from the date hereof or until 10/14 1:00 [a.m.] [p.m.] on 10/14, 2021, unless sooner modified or dissolved by this Court.
- D. Bond is waived for good cause for the Court is satisfied that under no set of facts will the Defendants suffer any significant financial harm as a result of this temporary order.
- E. A hearing on a Preliminary Injunction is set at 1:00 [a.m.] [p.m.] on 10/14, 2021,
- F. This Temporary Restraining Order is entered at 11:05 [a.m.] [p.m.] on 9/15, 2020

Dated: 9/15, 2021.

Enter:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

Thomas G. DeVore  
IL Bar No. 06305737  
silver lake group, ltd.  
Attorneys for Plaintiffs  
118 North Second Street  
Greenville, Illinois 62246  
Telephone 618.664.9439  
Facsimile 618.664.9486