

Agenda Item: Face Coverings

It is the recommendation of the Iowa Falls Administrative Team, the IFEA, and the School Nurse to require Face Coverings for all students and staff in the building and school busses. It is important to note we are recommending face coverings and not face masks to allow options for our youngest students and older students with pre-existing health conditions.

It is also the recommendation to allow students and staff to take breaks from face coverings where social distancing can be maintained, during lunch, during outside activities (school activities or athletics) and other planned breaks during the day that also maintains a safe learning environment for all.

If the face coverings are not required, it is our recommendation to operate in a Hybrid Model to allow for Social Distancing in as many spaces as possible.

Local school districts who are requiring Face Masks/Coverings (some state when social distancing is not feasible):

- Aplington-Parkersburg
- Belmond-Klemme
- Cedar Falls
- Clarion-Goldfield-Dows
- Clear Lake
- Forest City
- Grundy Center
- Hampton-Dumont (recommending for approval tonight)
- Humboldt
- Independence
- South Hardin
- Spencer
- St. Edmond's
- Stratford
- Waverly-Shell Rock
- Webster City

All State Universities and ECC require students to wear face masks while on campus in classes and between classes. They are only allowed to take off masks in their dorm rooms.

The board is asked to approve face coverings for:

- Staff
- Students
- Staff/Students on Busses (for all activities - school and extra-curricular)
- All Spectators for Events (unanimously approved by NCC ADs). Our expectation would be masks are required and worn for entrance, can be taken off when social distancing is feasible.

The board can choose to approve all of four in one motion or make a motion on each one individually.