

This is Stephen Gainey. At today's Board of Education meeting, the following decision was made:

Effective tomorrow (8/30/21), all students, staff members, and any visitors to school campuses will be required to wear a cloth face covering while inside a building in our school system or on a school system bus. However, a person will not have to wear a cloth face covering inside a building if in a work area alone (such as a classroom or a separate office). Also, the use of cloth face coverings will not be required for extracurricular activities (both inside and outside of the building) by students, staff members, or spectators. This plan will be in place through the end of the day on 10/15/21. On 10/15/21, based on the data in our school system, this plan may be revised or remain in place.

In addition, until further notice, students will not eat breakfast or lunch in the school cafeteria. Instead, students will eat breakfast and lunch in their classroom.

Please know that these changes are being made to keep our students and staff members on campus for five days of in-person instruction per week to the greatest extent possible. Also, these changes are being made to keep students' extracurricular activities operating according to regular procedures to the greatest extent possible.

In closing, please note that I greatly appreciate your support of our school system. This message also will be posted on the homepage of the school system's webpage for your reference.

I hope everyone has a great night!!!!