



Jasper County Charter System

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The Jasper County Charter School System will provide superior and innovative learning experiences to prepare every student for life beyond school.

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Dear Jasper County Families,

Effective May 17, 2021, Jasper County Charter System will suspend the requirement of facial coverings for students in grades 6-12 and all faculty/staff. This is due to the recent updated guidance by the Center of Disease Control and review of the following data.

- **As of April 25, 2021, the 7 day moving average for COVID-19 cases in Jasper County is .9. This is per the Georgia Department of Health Website. As of May 13, 2021, the 7 day moving average for COVID-19 cases in Jasper County is .4. This is per the Georgia Department of Health Website.**
- **As of April 25, 2021, the number of cases per 100K (14-day interval) is 85. As of May 13, 2021, the number of cases per 100K (14-day interval) is 56. Any number below 100 is considered to be a minimal to moderate spread area. This is per the Georgia Department of Health Website.**
- Jasper County has been in a minimal to moderate spread each day but one since March 17, 2021. This is per the Georgia Department of Health Website.
- Since the last BOE meeting held on April 26, 2021, there have been one confirmed student positive and one employee positive.

In a letter sent home to students and staff on April 27, 2021, I stated if the current trends continue, then our system will consider additional relaxing of COVID-19 protocols at the May business meeting. However, with the updated guidance provided by the Center of Disease Control on May 13, 2021, the Jasper County Board of Education supports my recommendation to expedite relaxing the requirement of facial covering.

Please note the new guidelines are subject to change if the data demonstrates a need to return to previous protocols.

The Jasper County Charter System appreciates your support of our schools. While this has been a unique year in our system, our students, parents, faculty, staff, and community have demonstrated great resiliency as we have been able to offer in person instruction with few interruptions due to COVID-19.

If you have any questions, then please contact Central Services at (706)-468-6350.

Thank you for your cooperation and let's finish the school year strong!!!!

Sincerely,

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Superintendent