



# MEETING NOTICE POSTING & AGENDA

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## TOWN OF HULL

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<b>Board or Committee</b>	<b>School Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Date &amp; Time of Meeting</b>	<b>Monday, February 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm</b>
<b>Meeting Location Full Address</b>	<b>Hull High School, Second Floor Exhibition Room, 180 Main Street, Hull, MA 02045</b>
<b>Requested By:</b>	<b>Maggie Ollerhead</b>

### ADDED AGENDA ITEM

#### 7.4 Mask Requirement Update Busses/Vans



## *Hull Public Schools*

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February 28, 2022

TO: School Committee  
FROM: Judith E. Kuehn  
RE: Mask Requirement Update Busses/Vans

On Sunday, February 27, 2022 the Commissioner of Education determined it was a local decision to lift the mask requirement on school busses and vans. This recommendation follows CDC guidance as of February 25, 2022. I recommend school busses and vans be mask flexible effective March 1, 2022.

Depending on the outcome of the mask requirement discussion the Committee may need to update policy EBCFA - Face Covering. If so, a motion and vote to change the policy is in order.

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Enclosure

**From:** [Commissioner-List-owner@list1.doe.mass.edu](mailto:Commissioner-List-owner@list1.doe.mass.edu) [mailto:[Commissioner-List-owner@list1.doe.mass.edu](mailto:Commissioner-List-owner@list1.doe.mass.edu)] **On Behalf Of** Bettencourt, Helene H. (DESE)  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 9:04 AM  
**To:** Bettencourt, Helene H. (DESE)  
**Subject:** CDC lifts requirement that masks be worn on school buses and vans

Dear Superintendents, Assistance Superintendents, Charter School Leaders, Collaborative Directors and Leaders of Approved Private Special Education Schools,

Commissioner Riley asked me to share this information with you on his behalf.

Late Friday, the CDC announced that, effective February 25, 2022, it is no longer requiring that masks be worn on school buses or vans for K-12 students and children in childcare programs. Schools and districts may decide whether to lift or maintain local mask requirements on buses or vans.

As always, any individual who wishes to continue to mask should be supported in that choice.

More information on the updated CDC guidance is available here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/face-masks-public-transportation.html>.

Please contact the Rapid Response line at 781.338.3500 with any questions or concerns.

Best,  
Helene

## FACE COVERINGS

The Hull Public Schools District is committed to providing a safe environment in schools during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Maintaining a safe environment is critical to the District's ability to ensure students remain in a full-time classroom learning environment.

According to public health experts, one of the best ways to stop the spread of coronavirus and to keep members of our school community safe is the use of face masks or face coverings. Therefore, in accordance with guidance and recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH), the following requirements are in place until further notice.

A face covering that covers the nose and mouth is strongly recommended to be worn by individuals who remain unvaccinated or are otherwise immunocompromised in school buildings, and on school grounds, even when social distancing is observed.

Individuals who are vaccinated are not required to wear a mask, but may do so if desired.

**Students and staff returning from 5 day quarantine following a positive COVID test must follow strict mask use, other than when eating, drinking, or outside, and conduct active monitoring for symptoms, through day 10 of exposure.**

**Masks will be required in all school health offices.**

~~By federal public health order, all students and staff are required to wear a mask on school buses.~~

Guidance Statements: Massachusetts Department of Public Health

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-mask-requirements - mask-requirements-in-certain-locations->

<https://search.mass.gov/?q=school+health+offices>

Center for Disease Control and Prevention – Guidance for Covid-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools Updated January 13, 2022.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-guidance.html>

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education – Fall 2021 Covid-19 Guidance Updated February 9, 2022

<https://www.doe.mass.edu/covid19/on-desktop/2022-0209mask-requirement-update.pdf>

SOURCE: MASC – February 10, 2022

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