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Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that **beginning tomorrow, Thursday, August 26th, ALL students PK-6 will be required to wear masks in the building during the school day.**

As many of you know, we have had two positive cases at the junior/senior high school, and there are positive cases in the community. Our neighboring communities are also seeing an increase in positive cases. Given that the elementary population is not eligible for vaccines, we are trying to be proactive and keep COVID out of our schools. As a precautionary measure, all students will be required to wear masks in school until September 3rd. Mask requirements will be re-evaluated at that time.

Maine CDC recommends prevention measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These measures include proper hand washing with soap and warm water, using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol, avoiding touching eyes, nose, and mouth, and avoiding close contact with people who are sick.

We apologize for inconveniences that this may cause. Please be assured that these decisions are difficult to make, but student and staff health and safety is our top priority.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and support as we face the challenges of COVID yet again this year.

Sincerely,

Elaine Boulier, C.A.S.