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Subject: BCS: COVID Update: Mask Mandate

Good Afternoon,

The governing Board of Trustees for Bayshore Christian School has been and will continue to be committed to reviewing the school's COVID-19 policies and mask mandates every 30 days. After careful review of many local factors, including a decline in positivity rate in the community, a 0% positivity rate on campus for the last few weeks, as well as a decline in local hospitalization rates, the mask mandate for Bayshore Christian School is being lifted as of Monday, October 4th. We encourage families to make the best decision(s) for their student(s) regarding masks to continue to keep our community safe. As you know, mask waivers were an option for the faculty, staff and students on campus since the first day of school; yet, the greater majority of our school families, faculty and staff elected to wear masks- you are encouraged to still do so. **We will continue to monitor the cases in the area and on campus and notify our community if any adjustments need to be made.**

The school faculty, staff and administration will also strive to meet the expectations of keeping our environment safe with the additional steps being taken to sanitize classrooms and highly populated areas. As weather permits, we will continue to eat outside and practice social distancing. And for those students and teachers electing to wear masks, our teachers will continue to be cognizant of mask breaks.

We will maintain the current sick policy for students displaying any COVID-like symptoms. Our staff greatly appreciates your help and understanding when asked to following these guidelines and keep any child (and siblings) home when a family member or the student is displaying any COVID-like symptoms. If a student is exposed and not wearing a mask, we will continue to follow the decision tree posted on our website and quarantining may be required.

We pray the decline in the community continues, and that we will soon be able to lift the mask requirement for events on campus; however, at this time, we will still require all guests to wear their masks to events held indoors on campus: the upcoming talent show for K-8th grade students, indoor athletic events, performing arts events, and the upcoming Grandparent's Day celebration are examples of these events.

As always, we are grateful you have chosen Bayshore Christian School for your family and we look forward to maintaining a safe and healthy school year.

Sincerely,

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