



School District of the City of Iron Mountain

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IMPS Developmental Condition Mask Waiver Form

Coronavirus ("COVID-19") is an extremely contagious virus that spreads easily through person-to-person contact. Local, state, and federal public health officials recommend universal face coverings while indoors at school to prevent the spread of the virus. COVID-19 can lead to severe illness, personal injury, permanent disability, and death. Attending school in-person at Iron Mountain Public Schools (IMPS) without a face covering could increase the risk of being exposed to, contracting, or transmitting COVID-19.

Iron Mountain Public Schools requires students to wear face masks in the PreK-6 school building and classrooms during some or all of the school day to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

I, the undersigned, certify that I am the parent or guardian of the student named below ("Student") and that the Student is unable to wear a face covering due to the following developmental condition:

I certify that Student has a developmental condition, which is reflected in an Individualized Education Plan, Section 504 Plan, Individualized Healthcare Plan or equivalent, and which would cause Student's access to education to be inhibited if required to wear a mask in educational settings. The inhibition that wearing a mask would have on Student's education has been demonstrated in the following way(s):

I also agree to the following statements:

- I acknowledge by signing this form, I am formally requesting a mask exemption for my student.
- I am signing this waiver knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily.
- I understand that the school may take additional safety precautions to protect others from contracting COVID-19.
- I acknowledge that exempting the Student from wearing a face covering at a IMPS activity or facility may increase the Student's risk of being exposed to, contracting, or transmitting COVID-19 or a COVID-19 Symptom.
- I understand that my child may be referred for an evaluation to determine if a disability prevents my child from wearing a face masks and whether and to what extent accommodations will be provided.
- I assume all risks of any nature arising out of or in any way related to the Student's face covering exemption at any IMPS activity or facility, and hold IMPS harmless from any liability or damages that may result from this requested exemption.
- If my child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, tests positive for COVID-19, or is in close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19, I will immediately notify my child's principal.
- If my child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, tests positive for COVID-19, or is in close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19, I understand that my child may be required to remain out of school for 10-14 days or as directed by public health officials.

I acknowledge this request does not supersede a future public health order from the Dickinson-Iron County Public Health Department, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, or Centers for Disease Control. Finally, the Administration and Board of Education reserve the right to modify, amend, or further alter all COVID-19 policies and procedures, including a mask exemption, if deemed appropriate to the health and safety of students.

Please Note: All students are required to wear a mask on public transportation including school buses. There is currently no exemption to this requirement.

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

☐ Documentation Attached

☐ Approved

☐ Denied

Superintendent's Signature _____ Date _____