



August 3, 2021

Dear Indiana Academy Community:

I hope this message finds you and your family well. We look forward to seeing all our students at school on your move-in/welcome day the week of August 9-13.

As you may know, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently revised its guidance regarding face masks usage indoors. The CDC now recommends that face masks be worn by all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, in K-12 schools due to increasing spread of COVID-19, including the Delta variant.

At the Indiana Academy, we believe we have a role to play in the health and safety of our community. As a result, and in keeping with the updated CDC guidance, the Indiana Academy will require all students, faculty, and staff to wear masks indoors, regardless of vaccination status, while on school grounds.

This change in guidance re-emphasizes the need for all individuals in our community to be vaccinated. The CDC recommends anyone 12 or older be vaccinated. For more information, please visit ourshot.in.gov to learn where you can obtain your vaccination.

We will again this year depend on parents to take an active role in monitoring your child for [COVID-19 symptoms](#). If your student shows any symptoms, do not send them to school until you are able to have them tested for, and cleared of having, COVID-19.

Please notify our school nurse, Nikki Al Khatib (nalkhatib@bsu.edu; 765-285-7360), any time your child is tested for COVID-19, and notify the nurse again with the test result. It is also valuable for her to know if any immediate family members of our students are showing symptoms of COVID-19 and are being tested for the virus.

On behalf of everyone at the Indiana Academy, I want to sincerely thank you for your support and patience during the past academic year and for your willingness to continue that during our upcoming academic year. I look forward to embarking upon a successful, safe semester of learning together.

Sincerely,

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