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[External Email] 5/10/2022 Special Meeting

1 message

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Tue, May 10, 2022 at 10:40 AM

To: "mdegennaro@woodbridgeps.org" <mdegennaro@woodbridgeps.org>

Dear Board,

As a parent of a child at Beecher Road School, please accept this communication as expression of my strong opposition to any re-introduction of a mask mandate. I respect the choice of parents and students to wear masks if they desire. However, I believe the converse also should be respected. In my opinion and experience, masks negatively impact children's psychological and emotional development, including but not limited to, self-esteem, self-confidence, social interaction skills, and joyful attitude towards academic experiences and life in general.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this issue and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Best,

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[External Email] Covid-19 BOE comment

1 message

Melanie Rogers <melanie.rovinsky@gmail.com>
To: mdegennaro@woodbridgeps.org

Mon, May 9, 2022 at 4:15 PM

Good afternoon,

I understand the BOE is meeting to discuss Covid-19 mitigation strategies in light of the current uptick in Covid-19 cases in our area. I would like the following to be read aloud or brought to the board for consideration:

1. Mask choice does not prevent those who wish to resume wearing masks from doing so. Mask **choice** should be continued through the duration of the school year.
2. There is approximately one month left in the school year. A vote to resume wearing masks in our classroom would not be aiding in disease prevention but only causing an unnecessary disruption to the already busy end of the school year. Again, let those who wish to wear masks continue to do so without needing to make a new policy on it. By the time masks would be reinforced, the peak would be over, anyway.
3. Is the Amity school district also having an emergency meeting to resume mask wearing? If not, there is little point in having our school do so, when siblings, friends, etc. are coming home to the same house as our Beecher students.
4. **What percentage of positive Covid cases at Beecher are in children/ staff who have continued wearing their masks? Unless you can provide results on this, there is absolutely no evidence to say that those who are wearing masks are better protected.**
5. Were you present at the school-wide PTO sponsored icecream social? Did you review the social media content following the event, which was overwhelmingly full of gratitude from parents who claimed it to be their first event at school since their child started? Did you see the icecream-smudged smiles of the children running around at that event? I would strongly encourage the board to look at a picture from that event and put it side by side a photo of masked children in the classroom. What is more detrimental - permanently stunting their social development or having them catch a cold?
6. At this point, Covid is no different than the flu has been previously. Yes, an illness that can cause death in those in high-risk categories; yes, an illness that we will likely have an annual vaccination against - but no longer an illness that should be preventing normal life. **If we had millions of government-issued home tests and widely available drive thru tests to detect the common cold or flu each year - what do you think the positivity rate would be during peak seasons?**

We need to look beyond the positivity rate. We need to move to a place where this is behind us. We need to allow our community to move to a position where our children will have the opportunity to show us just how resilient they can be. If we do not, they will be products of this with absolutely no chance to thrive.

Our school district ranking is slipping. Our focus is no longer on academics, no longer on education, no longer on setting our children up for success. I strongly urge the board to remember that their responsibility is for the EDUCATION of our community. Please focus on what you are there for and leave the health and wellness of our children to the parents.

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Thank you,

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[External Email] May 11th special meeting

1 message

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Board of Education committee members, we are nearly 3 years into this, I adamantly and unequivocally oppose any mandate that restricts my children's ability to exercise their own desires when it comes wearing a mask. The common cloth or surgical mask has been proven to not prevent or slow the transmission and that has not changed. We can all make our own decisions as to what's best for our own children and do not need you to decide for us.

Jim Ruskowski

Sent from my iPhone



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[External Email] Professional Electrostatic Systems

1 message

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Tue, May 10, 2022 at 8:45 AM

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Dear Beecher administration,

As a resident in town, I was made aware of the upcoming special session for Covid mitigation strategies.

My company, Drew Marine, is a representative for ByoPlanet Electrostatic Systems. These systems efficiently apply one of the safest chemicals on the market for disinfecting against Covid and numerous other pathogens found in schools.

Please pass along the attached brochure and my contact information to the facilities and maintenance staff for their review. I would be happy to answer any questions and provide a demonstration at their convenience.

Thanks and best regards,

Mike

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