

DU PAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 13
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Bloomington, Illinois

Regular Meeting February 28, 2022

FOR ACTION

Subject: **Resolution Regarding Local Control to Mitigate COVID-19**

On Friday, February 18, the District shifted from mandatory masking to a mask recommended position based on multiple factors: the decision by the Appellate Court to support the decision of the plaintiffs made at the Circuit Court level regarding the Executive Order from the Governor regarding mandatory masking and local data supporting the conditions to transition to this new position. The elements of the Tentative Return to Learn Plan were shared with the public in a memo dated July 29, 2021 in which I stated: *“Data will continue to be monitored and evaluated in order to make any necessary changes due to new guidelines from the above regulatory agencies, the monitoring of local health statistics, and the availability of a pediatric vaccine for COVID-19.”*

In consultation with Shelli Anderson of Franczek P.C., the attached resolution was drafted to be consistent with the message delivered to the community last summer and was recommended for the Board to approve this evening.

It is the recommendation of the Administration to approve the Resolution in support of local control over mitigation strategies as presented.

Recommendation: The Board approve the attached resolution regarding local control to mitigate COVID-19, as presented.