

Superintendent Chris Reitan
School Board Members

I am writing again about concerns with Covid in the Craig schools. I see that now there are many classes in quarantine now....Grades K, 4, 6, and now the freshman class in the High School. What more will it take for there to be a mask mandate for all staff and children for at least 2 weeks? What of the exposure to the other students and the staff in classes that have mixed grades of students? It wasn't just the freshman that were exposed? They attend classes with other students? What of the staff that have been exposed? What of their families and those of the students?

I know that there is a school board meeting for the 22 of this month? Is this not enough of an **emergency** to convene a special meeting to discuss the problem? There is indeed a problem that needs to be addressed. I know that mask mandates are not popular and have become a political statement, but the lives of our children and staff are more important than that!

I am assuming that the people on the school board are educated and aware of the scientific evidence as to how to bring this pandemic to an end. Those who can, should be vaccinated! Schools have long demanded that children have vaccinations against childhood diseases before they can attend school.

Wearing masks indoors and in the close proximity to others lessens the spread of disease. Do you want any child who has or has been exposed to fall ill, perhaps go to the hospital or perhaps to die? This is that serious.

What would it take to get your attention? I wrote to the superintendent and the school board on Friday, September 10th and received a thank you note for the letter from the superintendent, not anything personal. I did not hear from any one on the school board!!! Isn't your job to help run the schools in a safe manner? **Do I not deserve a response to my letter?**

I hope you will think about what I and others have said about this problem and do something positive to protect our students, staff and community.

Thank you.

Margaret Andrews