

**Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Denton Independent School District  
Regarding Continued COVID-19 Protection  
March 23, 2021**

**SUMMARY:**

This item requests approval of a resolution providing a continued response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the following:

- The District will continue to require face coverings for all students, staffs, and visitors for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.
- The District will also continue to encourage proper social distancing and other methods of protecting the health and safety of students, staff, and community.
- These guidelines have been developed based on protocols from the Denton County Health Services (DCHS), Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and recommendations from the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

A previous Board resolution was approved on March 24, 2020 which granted Administration the opportunity to efficiently and effectively manage the COVID-19 crisis by making decisions regarding operations, personnel, purchasing, waiver requests and other District business as needed. The Board retired that resolution on June 9, 2020. This new resolution will establish that there is still a need to protect our students, staff, and community by following guidelines from the DCHS, CDC, and TEA

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On March 2, 2021, the Governor of the State of Texas issued an executive order which lifted the state-imposed requirement to wear a face covering but continued to direct that local school officials should follow guidance from the TEA. On March 3, 2021, the TEA maintained the requirement for Texas public schools to require face coverings for all students, staffs, and visitors to public school buildings. This resolution is the District's response to these guidelines.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None at this time.

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

Passage will help protect students, staff, and our community members as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

**PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

None at this time.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

No alternative actions are proposed.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

*Superintendent recommends approval of the resolution as presented.*

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Deron Robinson, General Counsel

**ATTACHMENT:**

Resolution Regarding the District Response to the Continued COVID-19 Pandemic

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_