



MASKING PRACTICES/ PROTOCOLS

HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

SMARTER PLAN - CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 RESPONSE (CA.GOV)

SMARTER STANDS FOR:

- **Shots** – Vaccines are the most powerful weapon against hospitalization and serious illness.
- **Masks** – Properly worn masks with good filtration help slow the spread of COVID-19 or other respiratory viruses.
- **Awareness** – We will continue to stay aware of how COVID-19 is spreading, evolving variants, communicate clearly how people should protect themselves, and coordinate our state and local government response.
- **Readiness** – COVID-19 is not going away and we need to be ready with the tools, resources and supplies we will need to quickly respond and keep public health and the healthcare system well prepared.
- **Testing** – Getting the right type of tests—PCR or antigen—to where they are needed most. Testing will help California minimize the spread of COVID-19.
- **Education** – California will continue to work to keep schools open and people safely in classrooms for in-person instruction.
- **Rx** – Evolving and improving treatments will become increasingly available and critical as a tool to save lives.
- The SMARTER Plan is not just for COVID-19. We can use these strategies and systems for future emergencies. We'll improve the SMARTER Plan as we learn what works.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT MASKING

- Wearing a well-fitting mask reduces the risk of spreading the virus that causes COVID-19 and other respiratory infections (i.e.: Influenza).
- At a high COVID-19 Community Level indoor masking in schools is recommended, as it is in the community at-large.
- CDC also recommends masking at all times in healthcare settings
- People who have known or suspected exposure to COVID-19 should also wear a mask around others for 10 days from their last exposure, regardless of the vaccination status or history of prior infection

source: [Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-Person Learning | CDC](#)

HEALTH & SAFETY MASKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- In accordance with current CDC/CA/SFDPH guidelines, masks will be STRONGLY ADVISED -- NOT MANADATED-- starting January 1st, 2023. Some high-risk settings (e.g. Student Health Center) may still require wearing masks.
- Flu season is here. COVID cases are on the rise and underreported (related to home testing).
- "We are still in the neighborhood of 270 to 300 people dying per day in the United States from COVID. It's way less than it was, but we are not done. At that pace, that would be 100,000 people per year -- that's still two to five times more people than die per year from the flu." [COVID Vaccine Mandates in the Spotlight at the AMA's Interim Meeting | MedPage Today](#)
- Infectious disease experts are concerned this could be a particularly severe season for respiratory infections.
- Ubiquitous signage about masking on campus is *imperative* to reduce risk of respiratory infection.
 - Consider increasing signage on campus to say:

“Please stay home if you are sick during this cold and flu season. If you have a fever (temp >100.4F or 38C), please stay home until at least 24 hours after your fever is gone. Temperature should be measured without the use of fever-reducing medicines (medicines that contain ibuprofen or acetaminophen).

If you are on campus with a cough, please make sure to wear a well-fitted mask whenever you are indoors.”

Masks Recommended But Not Required For All

Se recomienda el uso de mascarillas pero no es obligatorio
Hinihikayat ang pagmamit ng pantakip sa mukha o maskara
ngunit hindi ito kinakailangan para sa lahat
建議佩戴口罩但非強制性要求



Everyone is recommended, but not required, to wear a mask for additional protection regardless of vaccination status when visiting this City facility.

Se recomienda el uso de mascarillas, aunque no es obligatorio, a toda persona que visite las instalaciones de la Ciudad para poder gozar de más protección sin importar su estado de vacunación.

Lahat ay hinihikayat na magsuot ng pantakip sa mukha o maskara ngunit hindi ito sapilitan. Ito para sa karagdagang kaligtasan anuman ang estado ng inyong pagbabakuna habang bumibisita dito sa pasilidad ng lungsod

無論其疫苗接種狀態，建議但非強制性要求所有人到訪市政設施時，佩戴口罩以達到額外防護。

Additional safety tips • Otros consejos de seguridad • Mga karagdagang kaalaman sa kaligtasan • 額外安全提示

- Get vaccinated and boosted • Vacúrese y póngase la dosis de refuerzo • Magbakuna at magpalitan • 請做疫苗並加強劑
- Stay home when sick • Quédese en casa cuando está enfermo • Manatili sa bahay isapagmay sakit • 若患病不要離開家中
- Get tested • Higiene la prueba • Magpasal • 接受檢測
- Clean your hands • Lávese las manos • Utián ang iyong mga kamay • 清潔雙手

MASKING

- [Guidance for Face Coverings \(ca.gov\)](https://www.ca.gov)
- [Know when masks are needed | San Francisco \(sf.gov\)](https://www.sf.gov)



CCSF Community Responsibility

Wearing a **well-fitted medical mask** above the nose, mouth and under the chin while in our buildings and classrooms is **strongly advised**.



Take Care. Be Kind. Stay Safe.



CCSF Community Responsibility

Masks are strongly advised indoors.
Please stay home if you are sick.

If you have a **FEVER** (temp >100.4F or 38C), please stay home until at least 24 hours after your fever is gone.
Temperature should be measured without the use of fever-reducing medicines (medicines that contain ibuprofe or acetaminophen).

If you are on campus with a **COUGH**, please make sure to wear a well-fitted mask indoors.



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Masking and COVID-19 in California: When is Masking Recommended? When is it Required?

Masking is still an important tool to help protect you and your family from COVID-19.

- California uses the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC COVID-19 Community Levels](#) to inform statewide masking recommendations. Californians can reference the [CDC COVID-19 Community Levels](#) to decide which prevention actions (including masking) to use depending on if their community is in the low, medium, or high risk level.
- Masking is required at all times in healthcare facilities.
- Masking is required in shelters and detention centers when CDC Community Levels are medium or high.
- Workers must also follow Cal/OSHA rules for when masks are required in a work environment.



Other Things to Consider:

- Follow all local health rules, which may be more restrictive than statewide rules.
- You cannot be denied service or entry if you choose to wear a mask.
- When choosing a mask – choose a good one. Choose a well-fitting respirator mask (N95, KN95, KF94) if possible. A surgical mask combined with a cloth mask on top is also a good option.
- Learn how to [Get the Most Out of Masking](#). Read the state's [full masking guidance](#).



Scan here to read all the
Masking Guidelines.



Other examples of inclusive signage:



