In light of the threat posed by COVID-19, the following policy on the use of face masks has been adopted by the Board for the 2020-2021 school year. They will sunset on June 30, 2021 unless rescinded by the Board prior to then or extended by the Board.

Students are required to wear face coverings while at school, unless doing so would inhibit the student’s health. It is necessary to acknowledge that enforcing the use of face coverings may be impractical for young children or individuals with disabilities.

- **Exceptions to requirement of using a face mask:**
  - General Statement: Doing so would inhibit the student’s health.
  - The student is in extreme heat outdoors.
  - The student is in water.
  - A student’s documented medical condition, or disability as reflected in an Individualized Education Program (IEP), precludes the use of face covering.
  - The student is under the age of two (2), due to the risk of suffocation.
  - During the period that a student is eating or drinking.
  - Face coverings should not be placed on anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, or anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the face covering without assistance (e.g. face coverings should not be worn by Pre-K students during nap time).
  - The student is engaged in high intensity aerobic or anaerobic activities.
  - Face coverings may be removed during gym and music classes when individuals are in a well-ventilated location and able to maintain a physical distance of six feet apart.
  - When wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition in which to operate equipment.

All adults will wear face masks at all times when in school buildings and on grounds (unless socially distanced at 6’ from all others). This applies to all C3 staff, all Appel Farm staff when interacting with the school, all visitors to C3 (including parents), and all contractors working on the premises.