

A message from FRANKLIN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Dear Franklin Families,

Earlier this evening, the FCS School Board approved the recommendation of the Johnson County Health Department, which states that *universal masking occurs inside K-12 buildings regardless of vaccination status when the positivity rate exceeds 2% in any one building. Masks will be worn until the positivity rate drops below 1%.*

This positivity data will be updated daily and available on the FCS COVID-19 Dashboard.

**Once a school exceeds the 2% threshold, masks will be required for, at minimum, 14 days. This timeframe mimics the virus's incubation period. Once masks become optional again, parents will be notified.**

This mitigation strategy is added to the COVID-19 mitigation practices already present in our buildings.

I believe that the best way to grow students is to have them with their teachers inside the classroom, and if we all work together, I have no doubt that we will see 180 days of in-person learning this school year.

I also ask that we continue to remain flexible and ready to pivot in the event that it becomes necessary.

Thank you for partnering with FCS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Clendening". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. David Clendening

Superintendent