



OWENS-WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #6

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Parent Notice Governors Mask Mandate Update

April 20, 2021

Dear Owens Elementary Parents and Community,

Yesterday afternoon Governor Ducey removed the statewide Executive Order that directed schools to require masks be worn. This decision came as a surprise to school districts who were expecting to finish the school year under the mask mandate.

In accordance with the Governor's new Executive Order: 2021-10, it is now up to each local school district to decide whether masks will be required for the final weeks of the school year. The OESD Governing Board approved the "Summary Reopening Plan" dated 8-5-20 which requires the use of face coverings.

Safeguarding the health of our students and staff is our top priority. Owens Elementary School has worked closely with local and county health officials throughout this pandemic and will be consulting these officials before reaching a decision.

For the immediate future masks will still be a requirement for students and staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Bullington". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Bryan Bullington