

Mask Requirement:

All students are required to wear a mask or face covering while riding the bus and throughout the school day. Mask wearing will be strongly enforced. Students are required to bring their own masks/face coverings. **We encourage students to wear surgical masks, cloth masks, or N95 masks as these types are the most protective.** We strongly recommend that students do NOT wear gaiters or bandanas as [recent studies](#) have shown these to be the least protective. Masks with valves or vents should not be worn per new [CDC guidelines](#). Students should bring a back-up mask, though the schools will also have a supply of masks if a student's mask breaks or is soiled during the school day.

In The Road Back guidance from the NJ Department of Education, exceptions to the mask requirement include: 1) wearing a mask would inhibit the student's individual health and 2) a student's documented medical condition or disability as reflected in an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) precludes the use of face covering. **If your student cannot wear a mask for health reasons or disability, you must submit a doctor's note to the School Nurse, Sandy Sanchez-Zutic, nurse@hunterdonprep.org**