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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As you are aware, on February 7, 2022, Governor Murphy announced that on March 7, 2022, the universal statewide school mask mandate will be lifted. The Governor issued this revised guidance in light of the decline in new COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations as well as projections indicating future trends in a similar direction.

Accordingly, beginning March 7th, Vineland Public Charter, Millville Public Charter, and Bridgeton Public Charter Schools will make masking optional for all students and staff. Please note that we are issuing this guidance in concert with the Governor's Order and New Jersey Health Department's recommendations.

Mask wearing in the following circumstances will be required:

- During periods of elevated community transmission (orange or red levels of positive cases).
- Any active school outbreaks.
- A staff or students return from quarantine/isolation during days 6-10 (Please consult with your school nurse).
- Students exhibiting COVID like symptoms while in the school setting will be placed in the quarantine room until they can safely leave the premises.

We will continue to monitor data daily, follow layered mitigation strategies, collaborate with the local and state Board of Health, and request that our staff and parents report any confirmed or potential family COVID cases to our school nurses.

Thank you for your patience, understanding, and compliance. If there are any additional changes from the NJ Department of Health or the County Health Department, we will notify our staff and families accordingly.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kim Garcia

Chief Executive Officer