



March 25, 2021

Dear SUSD Families and Staff:

Arizona Governor Doug Ducey issued [Executive Order 2021-06](#) today that lifts state COVID-19 restrictions on organized public events and businesses. The Order also removes the authority of municipal governments, such as cities, towns and counties, to mandate mask-wearing if they did not have local measures in place by March of last year.

Today's new order **does not** rescind the Governor's [Executive Order 2020-51](#), issued July 23, 2020, that requires school districts to implement face covering policies, nor does it rescind [Arizona Department of Health Services Emergency Order 2020-04](#), dated November 19, 2020, that mandates the wearing of masks on public and charter school property.

Scottsdale Unified School District (SUSD) will continue to observe these orders and require that masks continue to be worn by all students, faculty, staff, contractors and visitors at all SUSD schools and offices, and on all District property, including school buses. We will also continue to review and respond to evolving COVID-19 guidelines. As our community continues to see [substantial spread](#) of the COVID-19 virus, masking remains one of the top mitigation strategies for safe in-person learning, as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and state and local public health agencies.

Thank you again for your ongoing support as we work together to support the health and well-being of our students, families and community. We remain committed to our goal of keeping students and staff safe, and our classrooms open for in-person learning to those who choose it.

Thank you.

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