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Dear Parents/Guardians/Faculty/Staff,

Below is some information regarding ongoing mask requirements for Tully Schools:

- On Friday, June 4th the New York State Commissioner of Health sent a letter to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) regarding mask requirements in New York State. Here is a link to this letter: <u>NYSDOH CDC Letter</u>.
- This letter does not change any of the mask requirement currently in place for public schools in New York State. Public schools in New York State must wait for state and local health departments to issue revised guidance documents prior to making any changes to mask requirements.
- Additionally, the NYSDOH still requires public school districts in New York State to engage stakeholders when updating a school district's reopening plan. In other words, we would need to solicit feedback from parents, faculty, and staff prior to changing mask requirements for Tully Schools. Here is a link to the NYSDOH guidance document outlining this requirement (see page 18): <u>NYSDOH Guidance</u>.
- We will provide an update on this topic when we receive official guidance from state and local health departments. Until that time, all students, staff and visitors must follow the current mask requirements in place for Tully Schools.

Enjoy the rest of the weekend.

Sincerely, **Robert J. Hughes** Robert J. Hughes Superintendent of Schools