

TUCSON UNIFIED

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Greetings Tucson Unified Community;

I hope all of you have enjoyed a restful Fall Break and a great start to the second quarter of this school year. In accordance with this week's ruling from the Arizona Supreme Court supporting school districts' rights to require mandatory mask usage, please remember that masks continue to be mandatory on all of our campuses, in district offices, and in district facilities for all students and staff members as well as for parents, community members, district vendors, and volunteers that visit our campuses and district facilities. This week, our principals reviewed with their teachers the specific steps that will be taken to ensure student compliance with this policy across the district. In the spirit of our commitment to transparency, prompt communication and notification of all matters relating to the education of your child or children, and the importance of the relationship between our educators and the parents we serve, you will be promptly notified if there are any issues regarding your child's refusal to wear a mask. Please know that every effort will be made to review our policy with you and the student, offer opportunities for compliance, and to review options for online learning for any families or students uncomfortable with the mandatory mask requirement. As recommended by the US Center for Disease Control (CDC) and our Pima County Health Department, the required masking of all students and staff members throughout the school day, in our classrooms, and on our campuses, is one of the most important and effective mitigation efforts that can be implemented in the continuing fight against the spread of this deadly virus.

Thank you for your patience and support for our continuing efforts to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of the students, staff members, and community we serve.

Thank you



Dr. Gabriel Trujillo

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