

April 19, 2021

Dear EVIT parents,

Today, Gov. Doug Ducey lifted a previous executive order requiring schools to “develop and implement a policy to require face coverings, such as masks or face shields, for all staff and students over the age of five.”

Local Boards are allowed to continue requiring face coverings as a local control decision. To that end, EVIT would like to be proactive and solicit student, parent, and staff input to help shape potential decision-making prior to the end of this school year. Our board members and school leadership value the opinions of those we serve and want to ensure we consider all viewpoints on this issue. Please take a view minutes to respond to this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SM9HGBD>

EVIT’s current mask requirement is a policy decision put in place by the EVIT Governing Board and will require board action to be changed. We expect that the board will hold a meeting on this matter later this week. **Until the board votes to lift this requirement, EVIT’s mask requirement remains in place.**

At EVIT, our mission is to change lives by loving our students and serving our communities. EVIT is a better place for students to learn when parents, students, board members and educators work together to make important decisions. So I hope you will take the time to work with us in determining the best decision for EVIT regarding masks.

Thank you – and as always, please feel free to contact me at [cwilson@evit.com](mailto:cwilson@evit.com) if you have any issues or concerns.

Sincerely,

EVIT Superintendent Dr. Chad Wilson