

FACE MASK GUIDELINES

CDC guidelines for cloth face masks: it should have at least two layers of fabric, fit securely against the face, have elastic around the ear or the capability to tie behind the head to allow for clear breathing, and also have the ability to be laundered. Cloth face coverings are recommended as a simple barrier to help prevent respiratory droplets from traveling into the air and onto other people when the person wearing the cloth face covering coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice. Cloth face coverings are an example of source control. Cloth face coverings are meant to protect other people in case the wearer is unknowingly infected. CDC does not recommend use of face shields for normal everyday activities or as a substitute for cloth face coverings because of a lack of evidence of their effectiveness for source control.

Bufs, and bandana's are not approved face coverings for individuals entering school buildings. This includes any tubular fabric that does not attach snugly to both sides of the face as pictured. A brand new study by researchers at Duke University School of Medicine found that of the 15 face coverings tested in the study, the two least effective were a bandanna and a neck gaiter. Alarmingly, the neck gaiter led to 110% droplet transmission, which was 10 percent higher than wearing no mask at all.

CDC guidelines: face coverings must fully cover the mouth and nose, be secured under your chin and fit snugly against the sides of the face.



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