Masking Protocol Update

As most of you are aware, Governor Baker has announced that the Commonwealth’s face covering order will be rescinded on May 29. The Department of Public Health will issue a new face covering advisory for the general public that is consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s updated guidance. Given that Riverview School is an approved special education school that offers residential programming we are required to adhere to current licensing agency mandates for congregate care programs that are not entirely consistent with the guidance for the general public.

Starting Saturday, May 29, the following will be the masking protocols for Riverview Staff and Students:

- All staff and students will continue to require a face covering on public and private transportation systems.

- Unvaccinated staff and students will be required to wear face coverings in public indoor settings when they cannot socially distance (stores, restaurants, malls, bowling alleys, movie theaters).

- Vaccinated staff and students are not required to wear masks in public indoor settings, with the exception of businesses and settings that still opt to require them.

- Any staff or students may still choose to wear face coverings based on their comfort level.

- Per the MA Department of Public Health, as an approved special education school that provides residential services, all staff and students, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear face coverings inside school and residential buildings. The exception to this is inside students’ own dorm when they can be socially distanced.