



Health Services

## Physician Letter for Masks Exemption

Dear Physician,

Pursuant to the authority of the School Board under Article IX, Section 4, of the Florida Constitution, as well as sections 1001.32, 1001.41, 1001.42 and 1001.43, Florida Statutes, the School Board of Alachua County adopts the following emergency policy:

*Effective immediately all persons (students, staff, contractors, vendors and visitors) must wear appropriate face coverings that cover both the mouth and nose when on School Board property, at a School Board activity, or riding a bus or in other approved transportation.*

CDC recognizes that wearing masks may not be possible in every situation or for some people. In some situations, wearing a mask may exacerbate a physical or mental health condition, lead to a medical emergency, or introduce significant safety concerns. Adaptations and alternatives should be considered whenever possible to increase the feasibility of wearing a mask or to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spreading if it is not possible to wear one.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Underlying medical condition/diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Student under my care       can wear a mask       cannot wear a mask

Student under my case       can wear a face shield       cannot wear a face shield

Instead of mask or face shield, student may wear: \_\_\_\_\_

Could the student gradually learn to wear mask/face shield?     Yes       No

Amount of time the student could try to tolerate the wearing of the mask/face shield: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Printed Name of Physician*

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*Physician Signature*

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*Date*