

Special Message from Kaw Valley USD #321

Last night at the regular Board of Education Meeting, the board voted to require masks for all students and staff at Rossville Grade School and St. Marys Grade School starting Wednesday, January 12th. This is an effort to keep the buildings open and continue to protect students and staff during the latest outbreak. The board will re-evaluate this order on January 28th. The board will also evaluate the need for masks at Rossville Jr/Sr High school and St. Marys Jr/Sr High School weekly. This will apply during school hours and will not apply to school activities outside of the school day.

Here are the criteria used to determine the need for masks at the grade schools:



Kaw Valley Masking Criteria 1/10/2022



Criteria	Level of School Impact			RGS	SMGS	RJSHS	SMJSHS
	Minimal	Moderate	Substantial				
# of Student Positives	<1	2-9	10+	17	13	4	5
% of Students in Quarantine	<10%	10-20%	>20%	6.69%	22.52%	9.02%	10.61%
# of Staff Positives	<1	2-5	6+	5	4	3	2
% of Staff in Quarantine	<10%	10-20%	>20%	6.06%	20.83%	6.12%	3.64%
Staff to operate schools	Normal	Strained	Critical				

RGS	SMGS	RJSHS	SMJSHS
Masks Required	Masks Required	Masks Recommended	Masks Recommended
January 12th through January 28th	January 12th through January 28th	Reviewed weekly	Reviewed Weekly

Please send your PK-6 Child to school on Wednesday with a mask. If your child does not have a mask we will have masks available. Please help us control the spread by continuing to follow our mitigation strategies:

- Keep your child home if they have symptoms.
 - Get tested or see your trusted healthcare provider before returning to school.
- Get vaccinated if this is right for you and your child.
 - Appointments are available at Doug's Pharmacy in Rossville and at other pharmacies in Topeka.
 - You can contact Pottawatomie County for information on Vaccine locations.
- Wear Masks in public locations where large groups are gathered or where 6 ft of social distance cannot be maintained.
- Continue Hygiene: wash hands, Sanitize, Cough in your elbow, etc.