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Greetings STORM Families,

Staff and students have done an incredible job this year adjusting to wearing masks; however, we are noticing many students wearing masks incorrectly like under their nose or chin. We wanted to remind our families of the current Covid guidelines that are in still place at WCMS.

Current COVID guidelines:

As of November 27th, Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer released updated guidelines stating that masks will be required for all students, employee and visitors in schools, with the exception of while they are consuming food or beverages. This will apply to all children aged three and up, who are able to wear a mask. mandatory, non-medical masking will be extended to:

- All students, employees and visitors in all schools and day cares (except while consuming food or beverage or engaging in aquatic fitness activities). Children ages 0-2 years are exempt from wearing masks. Children ages 3-12 should wear a mask if they are able to
- All employees and visitors in all common areas in businesses and workplaces, even in those areas which the public does not have access (e.g., construction sites, manufacturing facilities); and

Medical Health Officers are promoting vigilance especially with the Variants of Concern (VOC's) now in the province. To find more information about VOC's, please see the COVID section article: SHA Letter and QA regarding VOC's posted on our website.

Please talk to your child about this and ensure they are wearing their mask properly. You may want to ask your child:

- Does your mask fit your face properly?
- Does your mask fall below your nose?
- Have you had to be reminded to wear your mask properly?
- If you have been wearing your mask improperly, how can I help you wear it properly?

Improper mask wearing is unsafe and puts everyone at risk. Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping everyone safe.

WCMS Admin