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Good Evening,

In light of the Commonwealth Court's decision today regarding the legality of Department of Health's mask mandate, school districts are awaiting further guidance as to what our requirements may be a result. In the meantime, the Pennsylvania Secretary of Education issued the following statement:

"Earlier today, the Commonwealth Court issued a ruling voiding Acting Secretary Beam's school mask order. **The state is filing an appeal today, which will trigger a stay of the Court's ruling and keep the order in effect.**

"Schools should continue to observe the school masking order throughout the duration of the court's proceedings.

Regardless of the ruling, our current Health and Safety plan requires all students to wear masks while the county is in the High transmission status. Since the county is currently in the High category, masks would still be required. We will continue to update you as we gather more information or if there is any change to the masking status in our schools. Necessary information will be reviewed on a regular basis so that our District may make decisions based on the current situation. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Matthew Barrett
Superintendent

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