

# ADDENDUM MATERIAL

DATE 8/10/21

ITEM NO. ADD 6

Danielle Greene

**From:** Judy Chandler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 11, 2021 7:33 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Mask K-12

[REDACTED]

DO NOT MASK OUR CHILDREN!

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**From:** Patricia Schell <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 7:29 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Mask Mandates for our schools

[REDACTED]

Please share the following statement with each of the Board of Supervisors:

All five major cities in Texas are now instituting mask mandates in schools, in open defiance of Governor Abbott.

Houston, Austin, and Fort Worth are ignoring his ban, as well as San Antonio and Dallas, who are also suing him.

These local leaders had the courage to keep our kids safe. Three of you today did not.

Shame

Patricia Schell  
Grandmother of a child in the Amphi School District

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**From:** Pcclea <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 6:38 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Re: Masks

Pima county board of supervisors,

As a registered voter in Pima county I would like to applaud your decisions for the mask mandate you struck down in recent time. all too often you hear from voters when they are upset but rarely do you probably hear from the ones that are pleased with your decisions. I just thought I would reach out to all of you and thank you for supporting what the majority of the public wants. Best of wishes and stay healthy.

Charles S  
Pima county voter

On Sun, Aug 8, 2021, 12:25 PM Pcclea [REDACTED] wrote:  
Pima County Board of supervisors,

I respectfully request that the Board of supervisors stay out of the mask mandate business. We have gone over a year of having heavy restrictions and little to nothing has improved. We still have covid cases and we're trying to establish confidence in a vaccine. All I hear on the radio and over social media is to have confidence in the vaccine. Obviously the older (not kids) non-vaccinated are the ones who are suffering at this point. It is completely their choice and we have to respect what they choose. All you are doing by mandating a mask even for the vaccinated is losing confidence in the science and medical evolution in the vaccine. To be quite honest, if I would have known that the vaccine would not change whether or not I wear a mask, I would have elected not to get the vaccine. Our government now is trying to cram down our throats that we must wear a mask for others and now possibly forcing our kids. Our children have suffered enough with covid and are struggling in school, home, social life, and their mental health. This is not your fault, this is not my fault, and it certainly is not our children's fault. What I can fault you for is if you start mandating people to wear masks simply because others don't want to be vaccinated or cannot yet. Science shows that the ones who are experiencing covid issues are the unvaccinated adults. This is not your problem nor is it mine. Leave us alone to make our own choices of our own medical welfare. If parents or teacher wants to wear a mask, fine they can wear a mask; however stop making people do things that they have chosen they don't want to do. If you want to mandate anything, mandate the vaccine. I know that will piss some people off however, either way people are not going to be happy with a mandate. I have heard the argument time and time again that the mask you are wearing is to protect others. If you seriously believe this, there is no point in even speaking to you. This mask issue has become more of a political nightmare than our affiliated parties. I have never in my life seen our country so divided that I'm in fear of what the future has to hold. It is up to you as elected officials to remember why you got into office. I understand that this is not a popular subject, but remember our constitution. And most of all let the voters of Pima County live their life how they choose. No matter how much you mandate a mask, covid is here to stay unfortunately.

**Danielle Greene**

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**From:** Talitha Baker [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 5:03 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail; District1; DIST2; District4; District5; District3  
**Subject:** Re: Masks in Vail for [REDACTED] | A precious little boy who has [REDACTED] needs your help

[REDACTED]

I couldn't possibly be more devastated by your decision. Rather than finding a legal stopgap that would allow schools to at least require masks for kids like [REDACTED] at Vail Schools until they're old enough to get a vaccine (even if it was tied up in the courts), you have abandoned the kids outside of TUSD.

What's more, you personally looked out for yourselves by having a remote meeting while you threw vulnerable unvaccinated kids into the lion's den.

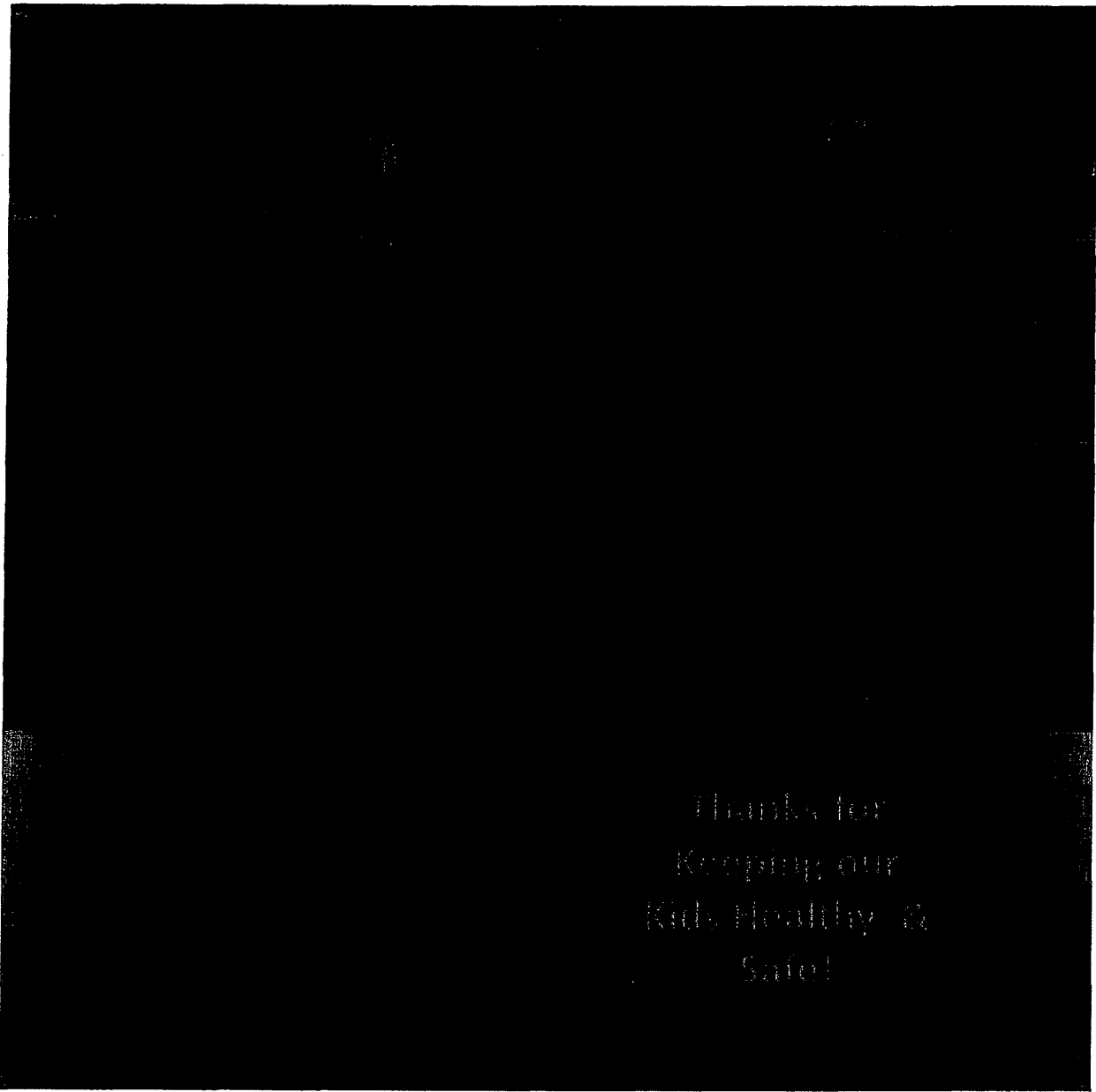
Thank you to the two **brave** people who voted to protect kids like [REDACTED]. I don't know who you are, but you are on the side of bravery. The rest of you, I'll email you if [REDACTED] ends up hospitalized due to Covid. This is on your hands.

On Sun, Aug 8, 2021 at 1:32 PM Talitha Baker [REDACTED] > wrote:  
Hello Pima Co leadership,

I'm a concerned citizen.

This is [REDACTED]. He's a family friend. He's a little boy in Vail School District who has [REDACTED] and who is extremely likely to be hospitalized if he catches Covid.

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Thanks for  
Keeping our  
Kids Healthy &  
Safe!

Covid is running rampant in Vail Schools. His mom made incredible sacrifices to homeschool him last year, but if she doesn't go back to work they will lose insurance. Vail School District has debated a mask mandate, but hasn't yet stepped up to protect kids like [REDACTED] against Gov. Ducey's anti-life mask ban that's putting kids in harms way.

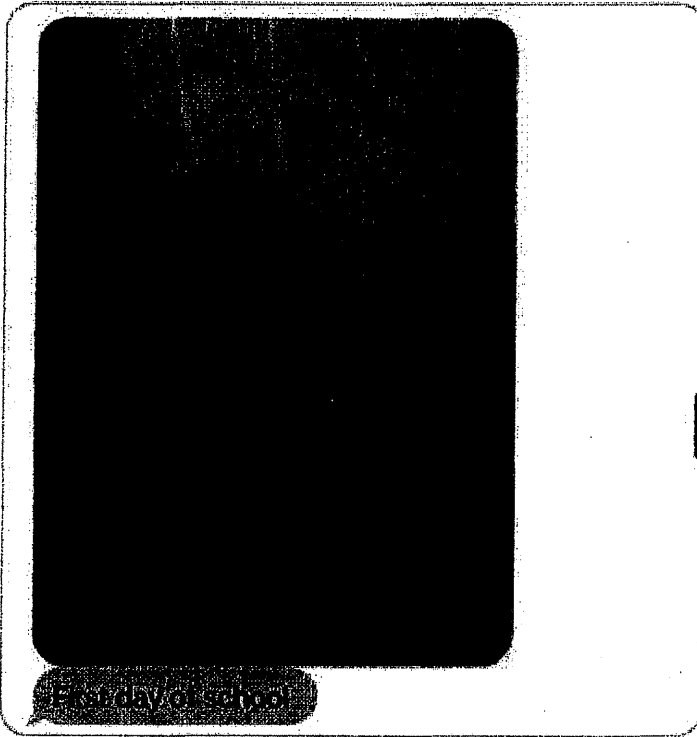
These are my nieces in San Tan Valley who both IMMEDIATELY caught covid in their largely unmasked school this past week.



**Talitha Baker @TalithaBaker · 1d**

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. @dougducey my 5yr old niece just caught #COVID19 during her first weeks of kindergarten. She's 1 of 3 kids who wears a mask in her class in Pinal County. Her 8yr old sister is bound to have it now too. WHY have you made it illegal for kids to be protected in schools?!



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Their story was covered by every news station in Phoenix and on national outlets including Good Morning America, Yahoo News and MSN. Fortunately, they do not have [REDACTED] so they will survive. [REDACTED] may not. Arizona has the highest per capita pediatric death rate for kids the USA.

GMA story: [https://www.goodmorningamerica.com/family/story/arizona-mom-urges-masks-classrooms-kindergartner-contracts-covid-79289128?fbclid=IwAR2NZOBYxspipwBDmHOqsGyZz80w0ym5OJx9yOJg0Ts\\_tM1guEa-zDIF6Nc](https://www.goodmorningamerica.com/family/story/arizona-mom-urges-masks-classrooms-kindergartner-contracts-covid-79289128?fbclid=IwAR2NZOBYxspipwBDmHOqsGyZz80w0ym5OJx9yOJg0Ts_tM1guEa-zDIF6Nc)  
(Feel free to Google "Heidi Kim News" for links to some of the other local news stories)

I'm respectfully asking that you defy Ducey's anti-life attempts to harm children like my friend [REDACTED] and institute a mask mandate for kids in Pima County K-12 schools.

If [REDACTED] does get Covid, I will be sharing his story with all the Arizona and national reporters I met this week who amplified my nieces' story. Unfortunately, his situation will be much more medically serious.

THANK YOU for pulling together this meeting. I'm in constant talks with Kerri, [REDACTED] mom, and she is ENDLESSLY grateful for leaders like you working to find solutions to protect Arizona's kids.

Feel free to contact me here or at [REDACTED].

-Talitha

Sent from my iPhone

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With Gratitude,

Talitha Baker

## Melissa Whitney

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**From:** Amy Clark <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 7:56 PM  
**To:** Melissa Whitney  
**Subject:** Re: K-12 Mask Mandate

[REDACTED]

Deeply disappointed.. Several more reports of cases today. Children need to be protected.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 9, 2021, at 11:55 AM, Melissa Whitney <Melissa.Whitney2@pima.gov> wrote:

Your comment has been received and will be distributed to the Board.

Thank you,

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**From:** Amy Clark <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 9:02 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail <COB\_mail@pima.gov>  
**Subject:** K-12 Mask Mandate

[REDACTED]

Good Morning,

I am a teacher here in Tucson. I work with primarily K-3 students at multiple sites. With the governors law forbidding mandating masks in schools, he has not only placed our children at high risk for the Delta variant, but immune compromised people such as myself at a higher risk.

I do not understand how a law can be past which negates the CDC, American Association of Pediatrics, a large number of medical professionals, and our own state and country health departments recommendations. By enforcing this law, young children under 12, their families, and people like myself are placed at a much higher risk. Families and people in high risk are being forced to make some very hard choices.



We know based on documentation children and the unvaccinated do get seriously ill for the Delta strain. As a result, we can see hospitals filling up with CoVID patients and “elective” surgeries being postponed.

We know the Delta strain is more contagious (has been compared to chicken pox) and is causing a higher number of the unvaccinated to need hospital care.

We know for some vaccinated people, their immune systems may not provide protection.

We also know social distancing, improved ventilation, reducing exposure to large groups of people, and quality masking are solid means of preventing the spread of the Delta variant. It is very difficult to socially distance in classrooms with 25-30 children.

We can also see the numbers of CoVID cases rise in school districts already such as Marana and Vail.

Yet, a governor with no medical background passes a law which forbids one of the crucial pieces of advice from the CDC, masking up inside.

Please like some others, take a stand to protect our youngest community members and make masks required in schools until our children can be vaccinated.

Thank you,  
Amy Clark

**Jessica Kopfmann**

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**From:** Bev Sutton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 11, 2021 8:51 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Deeply disappointed in your decision

**CAUTION:** This message and sender come from outside Pima County. If you did not expect this message, proceed with caution. Verify the sender's identity before performing any action, such as clicking on a link or opening an attachment.

Actually I am more than disappointed, I'm furious. You are charged with protecting the residents of Pima County. Yesterday, you failed dismally. 75% of the letters to the board supported a mask mandate. You were provided with huge amounts of evidence as to the benefits of masking in the face of a surge. Pima's community spread is now high and rising. Pediatric hospitalization is up and still rising. Our under twelves cannot be vaccinated yet -- you are quite literally feeding the school-to-hospital pipeline. Shame on you.

Well aware that you'd be flouting a blatantly unconstitutional law, you should have shown some courage.

In particular, SHAME on Rep. Christy for spreading blatant disinformation. Migrants are NOT responsible for the surge.

Excerpt from the daily newsletter of historian Heather Cox Richardson:

"Instead of trying to stop the spread of the virus, Republicans are blaming Biden for it. They claim that it is sparked by his handling of immigration on our southern border and that infected immigrants are responsible for the spike in the deadly disease.

When Biden asked Republican governors on August 3 to help or get out of the way, Florida governor Ron DeSantis responded: "Joe Biden has the nerve to tell me to get out of the way on COVID while he lets COVID-infected migrants pour over our southern border by the hundreds of thousands. No elected official is doing more to enable the transmission of COVID in America than Joe Biden with his open borders policies," and claimed: "He's imported more virus from around the world by having a wide-open southern border."

DeSantis is not an outlier. Trump has pushed this line, Fox News Channel personality Sean Hannity hammers on it, and right-wing publications from the Daily Wire to National Review to the Wall Street Journal's editorial page all insist that immigrants are to blame for the spread of the virus. Rand Paul has gone so far as to claim that

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administration officials are deliberately sending infected immigrant children around the country to spread the variant. Yesterday, Trump legal adviser Jenna Ellis called for Biden's impeachment over the issue.

In fact, the administration continues to reject or expel border crossers under a public health order known as Title 42. It does permit the entry of unaccompanied minors and some vulnerable families. Migrants who cross the border are immediately required to wear masks. They are not tested at Customs and Border Patrol unless they show symptoms, but all are tested if they move into the system, and those who test positive for coronavirus are quarantined. Those slated for deportation are quarantined before they are deported. While infection rates are climbing, because of both the Delta variant and the crowding at Border Patrol, immigrants test positive at a lower rate than the rate of non-immigrants around them.

And yet, Republicans are using the deadly new coronavirus variant to stoke anti-immigrant fires.

It is cynical, it is deadly... and it takes us one more step toward authoritarianism."

You can read the full text here:

<https://www.facebook.com/heathercoxrichardson/posts/373796924115546>

In closure, my very sincere thanks to Dr. Matt Heinz and Adelita Grijalva -- apparently the only supervisors with integrity.

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- GET VACCINATED ASAP!
  - WEAR A MASK!
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**When to wash your hands?**

1. When you arrive
  2. Before you touch raw food
  3. After you touch raw food
  4. Before doing any cooking
  5. Before you put on gloves
- ....Basically, all the time.



- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds (ABC song)
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- Practice respiratory hygiene (use tissues, sneeze into elbow) and social distancing (at least 6', preferably 10' or more)
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- Avoid ALL unnecessary gatherings and travel
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- WEAR A MASK!
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- GET VACCINATED!