

Danielle Greene

From: Talitha Baker <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:32 PM
To: COB_mail; District1; DIST2; District4; District5; District3
Subject: Masks in Vail for [REDACTED] | A precious little boy who has cystic fibrosis needs your help

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.



**I Support the
VUSD Board**

**Thanks for
Keeping our
Kids Healthy &
Safe!**

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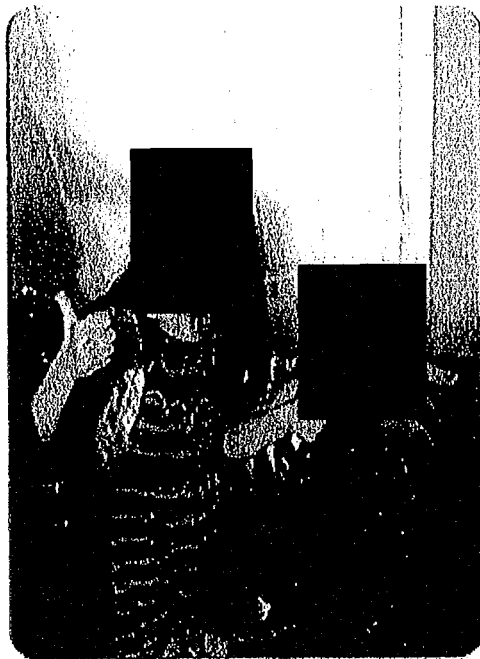
Covid is running rampant in Vail Schools. His mom made incredible sacrifices to homeschool him last year, but if she doesn't go back to work they will lose insurance. Vail School District has debated a mask mandate, but hasn't yet stepped up to protect kids like [REDACTED] against Gov. Ducey's anti-life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

. @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?!



First day of school

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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
(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

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Danielle Greene

From: HOLLY CLARK <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:55 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate and Mandatory Vaccination Policy

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Board of Supervisors for Pima County,

My name is Holly Sakrison Clark and I am a teacher at Ventana Vista Elementary school. After spending 219 days as a remote learning teacher, I am incredibly excited to begin working with students in-person, but I am also anxious about being able to keep them safe while learning. I take keeping other peoples' children safe during the school day seriously but, this year, that takes on a whole new meaning. We know that masks decrease the risk of transmission of Covid as well as other viruses. We know that in-person school continues to be the gold standard for our children. We know that vaccines decrease illness severity and Covid hospitalizations. **Please support a mask mandate for children in schools. Please support a mandatory vaccination policy for all teachers and staff of county schools.** These small interventions can make a large impact. They will keep our kids in-person for the school year. Our children deserve this. Most importantly, these mandates will save lives.

Thank you for your time,
Holly Sakrison Clark

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HOLLY CLARK

Danielle Greene

From: Jim and Val Pollack <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:05 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Agenda Items 15, 17 and 18

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I am a resident of Pima County and a registered voter.

I implore all Pima County supervisors and Mr. Huckleberry as well as the Pima County Health Department leaders to stop involving yourselves in the personal health decisions of the residents and tax payers of Pima County immediately.

I am sure the employees of Pima County are perfectly capable of determining whether the COVID shot (it is not a true vaccine) is appropriate for them as private individuals. Most viruses develop into variants which become weaker. Let these people make confidential medical choices without outside interference.

The Pima County BOS has rescinded the COVID emergency declaration and it does not need to be reinstated. There are those on the BOS who wallow in self imagined control over the residents of Pima County but you are all our elected public servants even if you may be a doctor.

Pima County also does not belong in the decisions of parents of school age children. Parents have the right to decide if they want their child to wear a mask or not in school or anywhere else. I hope I don't become anymore disappointed in the Pima County BOS as a whole by inserting yourselves into everyone's personal daily lives and disrespecting Arizona state laws that have been passed. There are way too many things pushed through in Pima County that do not take into consideration much public input if at all, mainly pushed by Mr. Huckleberry at tax payer expense.

If people want to wear a mask, wear one. If people want to get a COVID shot, get one. So far, this is still a free country. If the powers that be of Pima County are so concerned about COVID, control our Southern border.

Valerie Pollack
1114 S Alpine Circle
Green Valley, AZ 85714
[REDACTED]

Member of the United Republicans of Green Valley and Sahurita

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Danielle Greene

From: Autumn Cunningham <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:50 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Covid Mandates

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Hello Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to let you know that you are on a very dangerous and ILLEGAL path with vaccine and mask mandates when the State of Arizona has already made retroactive law regarding these issues. Your proposals will do nothing but pour gasoline on an only recently smoldering fire in our county. Our country is not founded on taking away free will - which is EXACTLY the spirit in which you are acting. Medical freedom is the only right path and the only way to heal our community. If you choose to illegally go against state law that protects our medical freedom, please know that there is a sea of Pima County citizens that are ready to move against you to lawfully hold you accountable along with all school and health administrators for the act of sedition. I advise you to cease and desist immediately.

Warm Regards,

Autumn Cunningham, ACC, CPIC



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Danielle Greene

From: Amber Norris <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:12 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mandates- call to audience

[REDACTED]

Hello,

As a healthcare professional I am floored that the county feels it is within their right to mandate a vaccine that is not FDA approved nor do we know the short term and long term effects. Making an experimental vaccine a condition of employment is absolutely tyranny. I love how work places say not to bully but mandating a vaccine is exactly that, you are being bullies. You tell people who have been with the county their entire careers if they don't get the vaccine then they will be fired. That is force, tyranny, coercion, and therefore forcing people to consent to something they shouldn't have to or lose their ability to support their families is not letting them consent. If you choose to over step your rights be prepared for massive law suits. This is NOT ok. This is absolutely disgusting.

In addition, the same is true for mask mandates. The science DOES not back up masking as effective. In addition, we are talking about a vaccine with a significantly high survival rate. Kids have a higher chance of drowning or being killed in a car than from COVID. I have cared for covid patients this entire pandemic and have had been around hundreds of positive cases. Not a single patient required a vent, hospitalization, or died. Not one. However, the media will only use the scare tactics and not tell them about how many survive this illness. The people dying from covid are mostly those who comorbidities that even the flu would have killed them over. Not to mention the testing for covid has been proven to not be able to differentiate from the flu.

Stop the mandates or risk civil lawsuits.

Amber Norris

C: [REDACTED]

Amber Norris MSN, APRN, FNP-C

C: [REDACTED]

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Danielle Greene

From: LuLaRoe N&L <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 9:02 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Board of supervisors meeting 8-10 comment

[REDACTED]

Hi please let this comment be read at the meeting on 8/10.

"If you choose to mandate masks and vaccines you will be breaking the law. And while I would love to see a lot of you go to jail for your crimes against humanity, you have the chance to make it right. The CDC is a joke. They have not been consistent with one piece of information so the fact you're still listening tells the people that you're benefiting in some way by following orders. (money I'm assuming) I'm ashamed that our county has you as our leadership. May God have mercy on you. If this passes I can only imagine the lawsuits to come your way.... wasting our tax dollars. Disgraceful."

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Danielle Greene

From: David Roark <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:56 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: ATTN: Pima County School Board: Mandate Masks

Pima County School Board,

I submit this link as evidence as to why we need to mandate masks in our schools! Please click the picture and take the minute and change to watch this clip. It breaks my heart to see this child, the same age as mine, laying there with little hope of making it through this virus!



Thank you,

//SIGNED//
David L Roark

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Danielle Greene

From: Bridget Montoya <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:52 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Resolution

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Good morning

I wanted to take a moment to first off thank you for all you've done and the difficult decisions you have had to make during these incredibly challenging months. As a parent and a teacher, I recognize how hard everything has been in these chaotic and unprecedented times, especially for schools.

We are however in the midst of a continuing pandemic, where the protections we can provide students and staff are vaccines and masks. I understand that the governor has essentially tied the hands of schools with regards to mandates. It is my belief (both as teacher and parent) that schools are responsible for the safety of students and staff while on their campus during school hours. Our under 12 population has no safety net as of yet. They have no access to vaccines. The only mitigation they have to slow the spread is a mask.

I implore that you pass the proposed resolution, but that you also include our youngest pre-K students in this resolution as well.

Thank you again for your time. I understand this is an exhausting time.

Bridget Montoya

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From: Danielle McKinney <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:35 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Proposed Mask mandate for k-12 students

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To whom it may concern:

This email is in response to the proposed order to the unlawful masking of school children within our county.

In accordance to AZ EO-2021-06, local governments canNOT mandate masks. Doing so would be in direct conflict with the law as signed by the governor.

In addition, 2 of my children attend school within the Amphi district and both report minimal masks being worn by students and staff- attempting to enforce this would be in direct conflict of the wishes of most parents as well as our rights as parents that are protected by the Arizona Parents Bill of Rights.

I call you stop putting our children and their education in the middle of of this fight you as the Board of Supervisors has with the governor.

Thank you,
Danielle McKinney

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sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Edna Silva <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:30 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mandate masks in schools

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Protect students, teachers and staff

Follow CDC guidelines and science

I have been an RN since 1965. Masks work We can get through this and protect lives if we work together Please mandate masks in schools

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Danielle Greene

From: Josh Goldstein <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:25 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: No Masks for our children

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Please adhere to the law and do not allow our schools to put masks on our children's faces. This is tantamount to child abuse. Please show peer reviewed experiments that show masks work. There are none... masks are filthy and carry disease.

Thank you for your time,
Josh

Sent from Mr G's iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: David Roark <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 11:22 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: ATTN: Pima County School Board: Mandate Masks

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Pima County School Board Members,

My name is David, a twelve year active duty military member. My family and I just moved here from Langley AFB, VA. We have two children in the Vail public school district, seventh (13 y/o) and third grade (9 y/o). We have spent the last year and a half doing all virtual learning from home in Virginia and the boys were excited to go back to school and make new friends and frankly need the in person learning to be successful.

I'm writing in SUPPORT of mandating students and staff in all Pima County School's to wear masks. Several other districts in Arizona have already done this and it is what's safe and the best choice to ensure the health of our students and teaching staff. There are some that have chosen to disregard sound science and reasonable measures that are within the best interest of everyone. COVID cases are on the rise within our community and the time to act is not when many of our children are ill but before, we need to be proactive and not reactive.

The Vail Superintendent sent out an email this week telling parents they would in no way mandate masks in the schools, this proves an inability to make decisions that are in the best interest of the students and staff, and as his sole job, this is unacceptable. Mr. Carruth needs to put his political beliefs aside and do what is necessary to protect our children or step down and let someone who will lead the district.

Lastly and most importantly are the high risk families, like mine. My youngest is in third grade and has [REDACTED], as does his mother. The science shows masks are only effective when everyone wears them. He has the right to not have to worry about contracting a highly contagious and dangerous respiratory illness at school and he has every right to be able to go to school just like anyone else. It is the school district's job to ensure the safety and welfare of all students. I urge you to please make decisions using guidance from the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Arizona Dept. of Health Services, instead of guidance from a politically-motivated governor who does not have a medical or science background.

This pandemic is not over, and unless we act appropriately it will get worse before it gets better!

//SIGNED//

David L Roark

Danielle Greene

From: LYNN and SHELLY BENSON <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:59 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Masking

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I WILL NOT comply with any Pima county mandate which contradicts Arizona State Law. I am a teacher and I WILL NOT make children under my authority contradict state LAW. Where is the science to support mask wearing in school? Not one child in Pima county has died of Covid. Furthermore EVERYONE knows children world wide are very rarely affected by serious Covid. Former Biden advisor and epidemiologist Osterholm said on National tv cloth masks are KNOWN to be ineffective. Additionally, cloth masks are germ infested due to children's inability to treat them sanitarilly. Children should NOT be breathing these harmful things all day. Children need to see faces in order to develop and learn. Studies show far more children have died by suicide and are suffering from depression than Covid. The US is the only western country harming our children needlessly this way. Please I implore you to stop with the leftist narrative that masks are going to end this pandemic. We've already seen this past year it won't. Let parents decide what is right for their children.

Shelly Benson

Sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Todd Hlavacek <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:43 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Students' Health and Safety

[REDACTED]

I am communicating with you today regarding the health and safety of the students in our district. As we know, Covid is still present in our community; in fact, a new variant that is 5 to 8 times as contagious as the original variant is now present.

We also know that vaccines and masks work. They are part of a multi-level mitigation plan along with social distancing and other measures that are proven to work. This is why I want to strongly encourage you to do the right thing and require masks in your schools and classrooms.

We must keep our children, our most vulnerable residents, safe regardless of laws or executive orders from politicians. It is time to take a moral stand for our children.

Thank you for your time and service to the Pima County Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully,

Todd Hlavacek

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Danielle Greene


From: Stephanie Erlacher <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:29 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Masks in Pima County Schools

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am the mother of a student scheduled to enter first grade this year, and I am extremely concerned about the current status of COVID-19 in the Tucson Community. With positive COVID infection cases and hospitalizations soaring in spite of Tucson's vaccination rate, I have serious reservations about sending my daughter to school without assurance that all faculty, staff, and students will be wearing protective masks. Currently, our school district's policy is that masks are encouraged but they remain optional. I recognize that our Governor has signed an executive order banning mask mandates; however, I believe this order is unjust, potentially unenforceable, and far from reflective of our current public health crisis.

We know what the experts say. We know that the AAP and the CDC recommend masking our children. With COVID positive numbers rising in nearby school districts already in session, how can we possibly proceed as if there aren't continued, exceptional health concerns in our greater community? It is an unconscionable decision, I believe, to withhold protection for unvaccinated children.

I understand that the freedom to make choices is important to every parent. This is not about choices. This is about our civic responsibility to do everything we can to protect our children and the community at large. When children under age 12 are eligible for the vaccine, then I will be much more comfortable with a mask optional policy. Until then, it takes away MY choice to send my 6-year-old unvaccinated child to the most responsible learning environment possible. Masks do not kill. COVID-19 does. If a mask mandate saves one life, isn't it more than worth the "hassle"? 

Please, I'm actually begging you...keep my daughter safe.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Erlacher

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Danielle Greene

From: Sheila Borst <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 10:07 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Concerned parent

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Dear whom ever this may concern,

I just learned that our county wants to mandate masks in school. I am a parent of 5 children. I worked in an public elementary school last year to help mitigation within the school. I worked playground duty in 100 plus temps. I saw the light in these children's eyes fade. I watched entire kindergarten classes and 1st grade classes suffer academically because where children and honestly myself Use lip reading as well as audible listening to learn. They failed and struggled. I watched my own children face struggles in school. As a county you should respect the rights of families and parents to choose for their children. We have signed the waivers.

You state that the cases have risen and with pretend concern, state that the children are the most vulnerable. Please review the ages of hospital Cases and deaths. They are not the majority of children. They are not at risk. My parents and myself are vaccinated because I worked in a school and my parents are at risk. You need to stop. Your behavior is blatantly going against state law that you claim to be unconstitutional, yet in the same breath try to remove parental rights. I am so discussed by your political focus and power hungry behavior you have forgotten your job. Our city is falling apart. The town I grew up in is a mess. You don't care about our children. Your city focus has never been on families. You focus on downtown and TUSD and continually allow our town to fall below poverty level by not allowing for real job growth. Stop playing party politics and do your job.

I beg you to stop and allow schools and parents to do their jobs and do what is best for our children.

Sincerely a concerned parent,
Sheila Borst

Sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Amanda Ofstedahl <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 9:43 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K-12 Mask Mandate

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Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I come to you as a county constituent, patriot, and parent affected by the tyrannical decisions made by the Board. You have overstepped your boundaries over and over this past year and continue to try and dictate what is best for the citizens of this county. There is no public health emergency and, even if there were, it is not the government's duty or responsibility to care for an individual's health. Individuals are at liberty to make risk assessments and decisions for themselves, parents are at liberty to make those same assessments and decisions for their children.

The Constitution affords us to be secure in our own person, which means the government does not get to dictate what we each do in regards to our own health.

Arizona has a state law, ARS 1-601, that states PARENTS has the liberty to direct the health care of their children and the government may NOT interfere with those parental rights.

Arizona state law, HB2898, passed by the elected officials of this state by your same constituents, prohibits schools from requiring/mandating face masks.

Any resolution by this board requiring or mandating masks will be in defiance of, and breaking, the laws of Arizona and the US Constitution.

Do NOT pass this resolution. It is not what the people want or need and it is illegal.

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Amanda Ofstedahl
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Danielle Greene

From: Suzi Messing <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 9:40 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Support for mask mandate

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Suzi Messing and I have two young children that attend public school in Pima County. My children are so young that they are unable to get vaccinated at this time and the only protection they have from COVID-19 are masks. Everyday I check for updates to see when the under 12 crowd will be able to get vaccinated against this horrible virus and we still don't know. So in the meantime, I have to hope that everyone that comes in contact with my children are doing what they can to protect them by getting vaccinated and wearing a mask. I find it shocking that we're forcing children back into the classroom during the period of the pandemic where children are being hit the hardest, and we're doing it without a mask mandate. COVID-19 cases in children are on the rise across the entire country. Pediatric hospitals in the South are filling up with sicker and sicker children because of the Delta variant. We need to get ahead of it here in Pima County before it's too late. We need the schools to stay open. We need our children to have safe access to a quality education. I'm begging you, please follow the science, please listen to the Center for Disease Control and the American Academy of Pediatrics and require masks for every student, staff, and visitor on campus.

Thank you for your consideration,
Suzi Messing

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Danielle Greene

From: Dana <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 9:22 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandate

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To the board of supervisors:

Last year, parents had several choices on what was best for their kids and situations with processes in place to protect those that were on campus. We had hybrid cohorts, mandatory masks, virtual classes, social distancing, strong cleaning/disinfectant processes, etc. all of which helped limit the number of people on campus and for those on campus helped limit the number of people they interacted with.

This year, campus opened fully. Which, for our school, meant over 900+ students in the building — most of which are not eligible for the vaccine. Walking on campus, my kids wore a mask, but unfortunately were in the minority of mask wearers.

As careful as my family is, my vaccinated husband got COVID. He got tested even though his symptoms were mild and could have been related to allergies or sinus infection because we wanted peace of mind. When they came back positive, we pulled our kids out of school even though they were not showing symptoms at the time because we did not want to chance them spreading Covid-19 to their peers. When my daughter started showing symptoms. We got her tested and they came back positive. We informed the school, and the school has been great at supporting us.

However, getting a covid test was not mandatory. Not every family is going to be extra cautious and get tested right away for mild symptoms. Not every family is going to pull their kid out of school right away. I'm hoping because my daughter was masked, it did limit the spread to others. However, contact tracing, active cases that are on the dashboard....those are only if I take the effort to get my family tested. If we chose to ride out the symptoms and self-quarantine, or just say the symptoms are anything but covid, those are not reported. Unless my kids are personally tested-the school is unable to take the additional steps needed at the school.

Wearing masks can protect our kids, but it can also protect our kids from unintentionally spreading the virus to others can prevent further spread.

In short, follow the experts advice at the CDC. Implement mask mandates and while you are at it, bring back the options you offered last year to parents (virtual classes, cohorts, etc.)

Dana

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Danielle Greene

From: Cat George <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 9:04 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate in Schools!

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Dear Supervisors,

I beg your support to help me protect my children. Despite my children giving up over a year of education and socialization, they are now being put in a situation that hundreds (if not thousands) of doctors have deemed unsafe, especially with Delta. We have already said goodbye to family because without mandated masks we EXPECT our kids to get sick and we don't want to spread it to our high-risk (but vaccinated) family members.

Please help me protect my children while they are in school. They are enrolled in a small charter school that does not have the money to stand up to the ban on mask mandates alone. They need the support of the County.

Caitlin George

20210808 09:04:12 AM
PIMA COUNTY, AZ

Danielle Greene

From: jaime fatas <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:58 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Support a mask mandate in K-12 schools

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Sharon Bronson from District 3 is my representative. My son will start 3rd grade tomorrow in the Catalina Foothills School District. Considering the current mask policies, I am very concerned for his health and that of other family members, some with medical conditions that make them particularly vulnerable. Governor Ducey's unscientific, unsafe order flies on the face of safety and sound public health policies, as clearly outlined by federal and state public health agencies and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

I urge you to take a stand against irresponsible, unsafe laws and policies, and support a mask mandate in K-12 schools.

Sincerely,

Jaime Fatás Cabeza

Associate Professor of the Practice, Director of Translation and Interpretation
Department of Spanish and Portuguese
University of Arizona

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Danielle Greene

From: Rachael Epperson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:46 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Call to the Audience 08/10/21 Rachael Velasquez

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Please read the following during call to the audience:

It is not in the best interest of Pima County Public Schools to try to apply a mask mandate to Students whom have already been through so much back and forth at the hands of a political tug of war. It is only a parents right to make healthcare decisions per ARS 1-601 & ARS 1-602. Only a Parent has the right to make these decisions. There are a lot of other factors that you as a board are not considering and it's extremely frustrating. Many Students are unable to wear a mask and it is detrimental to their overall health. Students constantly touch their face with dirty hands because the mask itches them and after over one full year of wearing them they are over it. It does not protect young children whom already have healthy immune systems. My son suffers from [REDACTED] and is unable to wear a mask, When he found out he no longer had to he almost cried as masking instantly give him [REDACTED]. As a Board of Supervisors for the County you should have nothing to do with this decision. We already know where one of the Board members had made this decision at her School Board position and it is not fair to the residents of Pima County to also apply this same shameful mindset when she is completely biased in her decision making skills. Governor Ducey has already passed a law that can not and should not be crossed. Students can't be forced to mask while at a public or charter school and this needs to be upheld. Please do not break the law. Students of this community have already been through enough. As a Board Member please realize you will not be saving anyone with this order however you will be harming children's mental health and the stability of their school year. Enough is enough stop with the nonsense.

Thank you for you time,
Rachael Velasquez
Kittentails Dr.
Tucson, Az
85756
[REDACTED]

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Danielle Greene

From: Michelle Ijams <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 7:53 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Back to school

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Hi,

My kids are so excited about going back to school in person on Monday. New teachers, new classes, new possibilities. What are they not looking forward to? Breaking the law, wearing masks. Let families decide what is right for their kids. My kids can't wear masks for long periods of time- two of them have a [REDACTED] and one has [REDACTED]. Forcing them to wear a mask all day at school will take away from their learning. They lost a year already, don't do that to them again. Let families decide what is best for their kids.

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Danielle Greene

From: Emily Baker <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 7:33 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: No Mask Mandates!!!

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Good morning,

On behalf of my children and my family, I've decided to reach out via email to declare my stance on the mask mandates that are being proposed for the county schools.

My children will NOT wear a mask. This is not negotiable, it is against the law to require it, mandate it, enforce it. My children will not be muzzled, silenced or degraded. We will fight the schools, they will attend school maskless or we will call our lawyer, file lawsuits against the Board members, whatever deemed necessary. This is wrong! Do not allow this tyranny to continue. The People are tired of it. Our children are tired of it.

All summer people have vacationed, maskless, for 2 months we've been free of these so called "mandates." No great spread, and you expect us to believe that a week into reopening the school year, all of a sudden there's a super spread? Don't insult our intelligence! You are attacking our children and as far as I'm concerned this is turning into psychological warfare - we lost way too many children to suicide last year. This year, it won't happen! We as parents need to stand up for our voiceless children. I intend to do so.

Thank you,
Mrs. Baker

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Danielle Greene

From: Melinda Burklow <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 7:31 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandate for schools

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To whom it may concern:

I am a nurse and a mother of two daughters one a junior and one a 7th grader. Masks do not work against this virus as you can clearly see from when the initial pandemic started. The virus still spread even tho people were socially distancing, schools closed, and mask mandates. The virus is here and is not going to go away. The vaccine just made it mutate so now it is here for good. We cannot keep our children home from school and our children are not at risk from severe illness from covid. Let our children be mask free. It's like the flu that comes and goes every year and we don't make crazy vaccine and mask mandates every year from that even tho hundreds of thousands of people die from the flu every year as well.

In conclusion my children will not be wearing masks as it is against the Arizona law and their individual rights. If masks are mandated we will not be wearing them.

Concerned parent,
Melinda Burklow

Sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Rachel Lindteigen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 7:30 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Pima County K-12 Mask Mandate

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Pima County Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for considering a mask mandate for our K-12 schools in Pima County.

My 1st grader is 6 years old and not yet eligible for vaccination and he's scared of going to school because he knows Covid is real. He started public school for the first time on Monday and was so confused by the fact people weren't all wearing masks to keep each other safe. His Montessori school required masks for everyone. He knows it can be a serious disease and doesn't understand why others, "don't know about Covid" because they're not wearing masks.

His class is about 50/50 masked and his teacher is masking and I feel very lucky and thankful for that because I speak with friends who have the ONLY masked child in their class.

It's our job to keep the kids safe and teach them how to care for one another. We need to model the behavior we want our children to have as they grow into adults. I want my son to grow up knowing that science is real, medical doctors know more than people online, and we do what we can to help protect our community as a whole.

We've lived with Covid for 18 months. These children have had their lives uprooted and changed and they've been so resilient. They need to be in school in person and they deserve to be there safely. Our medical experts agree the way to protect them is by masking everyone indoors. We're so close to the point of being able to vaccinate the children if we want. Please at least give those of us who want to protect our children from Covid the chance to do it and keep them safe until then.

Delta is real and a threat. I watched a neighbor's family deal with it this week. Dad was fully vaccinated and still tested positive and gave it to their 7-year-old. Don't put us in the position that a child could get it at school and give it to Grandma and have her not make it. A young child wouldn't understand that they didn't kill Grandma. They'd be devastated.

Thank You,
Rachel Lindteigen
11748 N Raphael Way
Tucson, AZ 85742
[REDACTED]

Pima County
Legislative District #1

Danielle Greene

From: Jennifer Franklin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 6:49 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Proposed mask mandate for K-12 schools

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To Pima County Board of Supervisors:

I am a teaching assistant at an elementary school in Amphitheater School District. For the majority of the 2020 school year we were allowed to see students in person. We washed our hands, sanitized our classroom and socially distanced ourselves. We believe this is the best strategy as opposed to wearing masks. When you wear a mask for 6 hours at a time, you are depriving your brain of life saving oxygen. This is doing harm to our bodies as well as our minds. The kids do not wear masks that protect anybody because they are made of cloth. They play with them, cough and sneeze into them and chew on or lick them. Some wear the same mask without washing them. How is this healthy? Aside from that, it is extremely difficult for teachers and students to hear and understand each other. Finally, most students are not wearing masks, which probably means their parents don't feel it is necessary. Please do not mandate masks in schools. They absolutely do more harm than good. Let people have a choice and stop making these decisions for them.

Thank you,
Jennifer Franklin
SPED teaching assistant
Copper Creek Elementary

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08/08/2021 06:49:17 AM

Danielle Greene

From: Claudia Doonan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 6:15 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate for CFSD!

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Hello,

My name is Claudia Doonan, my daughter, [REDACTED] is entering the fourth grade at Canyon View Elementary beginning tomorrow, Monday, Aug. 9th. Our family is very nervous about the upcoming school year in light of the highly transmissible Delta variant that is now prevalent across the US. Specifically, we are concerned and disappointed that masks are unable to be required for staff and students despite the fact that both the CDC and the Association of Pediatrics recommend masks in schools at this time.

We trust our schools and our governing bodies to look out for the best interest of their communities...ESPECIALLY the members most at risk..which at this time means those unable to be vaccinated. If we follow the science we have the best chance for a favorable outcome and hopefully less exposure and sickness. We need your help to give our kids safe access to the in-person education they need.

Please consider declaring a public health emergency enabling the districts to make their own policy decisions requiring masks, immediately. We need a mask mandate to protect everyone to the best of our abilities at this time.

Thank you for your time and serious consideration,

Sincerely,
Claudia Doonan

Sent from my iPad

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Danielle Greene

From: Mariaelena Bonillas Esparza <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:06 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandate for K-12 schools

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Attention: Pima County Board of Supervisors

Hello,

I am writing to express my strong support for Mask mandates in K-12 schools in Pima County. The current COVID-19 surge is growing exponentially and is greatly affecting unvaccinated individuals. The Delta variant is spreading quickly and experts state it is affecting more young people. Pima County currently has substantial to high transmission rates. School age children under 12 years old are not eligible for vaccines, therefore are left vulnerable to this devastating virus. My son is in 4th grade at a Sahuarita school where currently masks are optional. My son wears a mask in school but most of the children, teachers, and staff are not wearing masks. This is very concerning to me, especially since the CDC, Pima County Health Department, and American Academy of Pediatrics all advise that at this time all individuals should wear masks in public indoor settings, regardless of vaccination status in order to stop the spread of COVID-19 and to help protect everyone. I feel that it is imperative that schools initiate a mask mandate to protect our children, keep everyone in schools as safe as possible, and keep schools open by diminishing outbreaks. Please make the health and safety of our children a top priority!

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mariaelena B. Esparza

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Danielle Greene

From: Erin St. Germain <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, August 7, 2021 10:36 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: mask mandate

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask for your consideration of a mask mandate for K-12 schools. In this current environment of rising Covid cases and new variants, it is beyond my comprehension how Governor Ducey believes it is in our children's best interest to not be masked at school, and has taken it upon himself to mandate such a thing when so many of the children cannot even be vaccinated yet.

Optional masking is a complete failure. It was proven when the CDC changed their guidelines to the "honor system", and it is not working in the schools. My second grader is one of about 4 children in his class of 30 that wears a mask. My 3 year old has a similar situation in her classroom. Not enough parents are doing the right thing when it comes to the large population of unvaccinated children, and it is putting everyone at risk.

I believe schools need to be open, and the only way to be able to safely do so is with a mask mandate. I am disheartened at how politicized mask wearing has become. I ask that you do what is best for our schools and the health of our children – at least until we reach a point where ALL school aged children are eligible for the vaccine. If my children at least had that layer of protection, I wouldn't be as worried about them being practically the only ones in their classes with masks on.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Erin St. Germain

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Danielle Greene

From: Bart and Sonia Reidy <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, August 7, 2021 9:48 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Comment for Board of Supervisors meeting on mask mandate for K-12 schools

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing you as a concerned parent, community member and a Pediatrician. I am imploring you to mandate mask use at K- 12 schools within Pima County. I am worried about the COVID-19 delta variant, increased risk of transmission and the children of Pima County. The CDC states the delta variant is as contagious as Varicella (Chickenpox). See the CDC slide below. New data from this week showed an average of **136 cases per day** in Pima County, a **41 percent increase** from the average two weeks ago[1]. This is not a political issue; it is basic science. We need to protect our children 11 and under who cannot be vaccinated. The best way to mitigate the risk of contracting COVID is social distancing, handwashing and the use of masks.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, almost 72,000 cases of COVID-19 were added the past week, a substantial increase from the prior week, when about 39,000 cases were reported. People will often argue that children have mild symptoms from COVID-19 but there are children that develop multisystem inflammatory system syndrome (MIS-C) and long-term symptoms due to COVID. We don't know what the full long- term effects of COVID-19 infection will be, but evidence is showing increased risk of stroke and decreased cognitive function among others. There have been over 400 pediatric deaths in the United States due to COVID-19. That is 400 families who do not have their child anymore. In person schools without mask mandates will put our children who cannot be vaccinated at greater risk than is needed. This will lead to outbreaks in schools and sick children. This will strain our health care systems and further stress a fatigued healthcare workforce.

Our public schools who serve a higher percentage of socially and economically disadvantaged children are being held to a different standard than private schools. Public schools now must make a choice to protect their students or incur legal fees. Many districts are paralyzed by the concern of "breaking the law" and are fearful of doing what is right to protect our children and community.

Ultimately, we need to stop transmission in kids to stop community spread. A simple and effective way of preventing transmission is mask wearing. Please keep our children safe and mandate masks for our Pima County K-12 schools.

Sincerely,

Sonia Reidy, MD, MS, FAAP

[1] Pima County, Arizona Covid Case Tracker - The New York Times (nytimes.com)

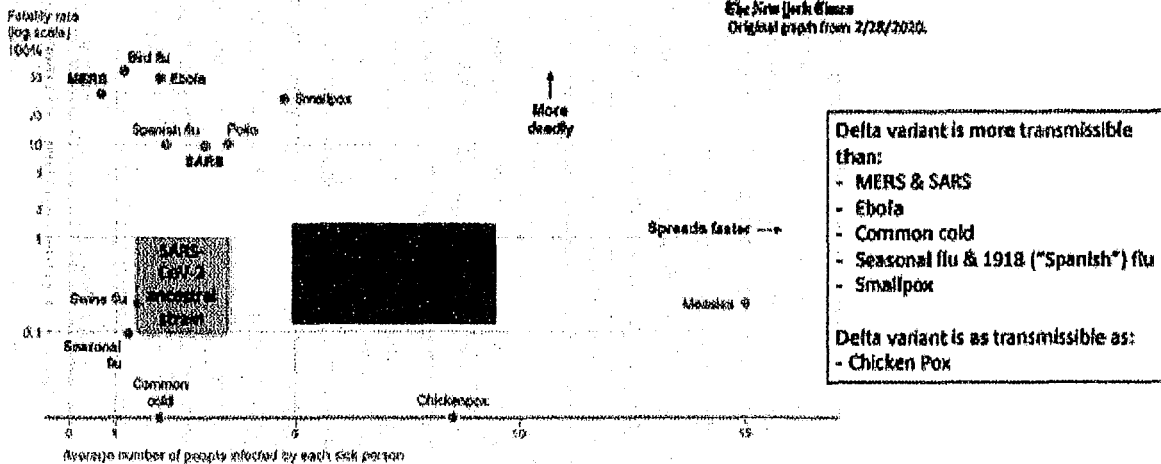
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Note: Average case-fatality rates and transmission numbers are shown. Estimates of case-fatality rates can vary, and numbers for the new coronavirus are preliminary estimates.

Danielle Greene

From: Amelia K. Decker <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 8:05 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: In Support of Vaccination and Masking

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My name is Amelia Decker, MD and I am a pediatrician at Tanque Verde Pediatrics. Since the beginning of the start of the 2021-2022 school year for the Vail School District, our practice has been inundated with sick visits. A small but increasingly significant percentage of these are Covid positive. A large and significant percentage are visits related to other illnesses with responsible parents who are trying to rule out Covid to help contain spread. The children that we are seeing with Covid are sicker. The strain that these sick visits are putting on our office and on our patients' families cannot be understated.

We know that masks decrease the risk of transmission of Covid as well as other viruses.
We know that in-person school continues to be the gold standard for our children.
We know that vaccines decrease illness severity and Covid hospitalizations.

Please support a mask mandate for children in schools. Please support a mandatory vaccination policy for all teachers and staff of county schools. We cannot continue at this pace. For the first time we are seeing Pediatric Intensive Care Units with teen-age Covid patients. Our clinics are seeing 150 patients per day or more. These small interventions can make a large impact. They will create a pressure release for our clinics and hospitals. They will keep our kids in-person for the school year. And more importantly, they will save lives. Thank you for your time.

Amelia Decker, MD, FAAP
Tanque Verde Pediatrics
Tucson, AZ

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Danielle Greene

From: Lia Maland <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:02 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: RE: mandatory masking in K-12 schools

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To the Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing as a community member and parent of two school-aged children in Pima County. I am gravely concerned about the plan to return to fully in-person learning with COVID safety protocols for the 2021-2022 school year that have changed from requiring masks for all students, teachers, and staff - as well as enhanced sanitation and physical distancing - to a policy where masks are "welcomed and encouraged." Current mitigation plans note that physical distancing will occur "where feasible"; however, it seems unlikely to be feasible with schools functioning at full capacity. These changes are not consistent with current CDC and American Academy of Pediatrics guidance. I fear that this will result in far fewer people wearing masks on campus and increase the risk of exposure to students, staff, and family members.

I am especially concerned that this change includes settings where students under the age of 12 learn. These children remain at great risk of contracting and spreading COVID because they are not currently eligible to receive the vaccine. This concern is amplified by the more infectious and aggressive Delta variant, which is the prominent strain found in Arizona and Pima County presently.

I believe that the health and safety of students, staff, and family members must remain paramount. Safety measures that enable students to learn as safely as possible in -person can and should be taken. What schools did last year with masking, remote-learning options, physical distancing, and so forth, worked - the current mitigation plan will only result in COVID outbreaks, school closures, reduced instructional time, increased mental illness, more COVID disease in the community, and increased mortality. We hope that you support Pima County schools and other districts around the state and, at a minimum, reinstate mandatory universal masking for all pre-K-12 schools.

Dr. Lia D. Falco (Maland)

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Danielle Greene

From: Laura Lewnes <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:01 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Please mandate face coverings in all schools to keep our children safe

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

Please read the following comment into the record at the meeting on Tuesday, August 10 regarding a mask mandate for K-12 schools in Pima County:

Our son attends school in the Catalina Foothills School District, and we are both healthcare workers in Pima County. Due to the sharp rise of COVID-19 cases in our community with the Delta variant, and due to the fact that children under 12 are not eligible for a vaccine, it is imperative that face coverings be mandated in all schools. This is a decision that cannot be an individual choice. Our children rely on adults to keep them safe. Even children whose parents want them to wear masks, will often take them off at school if they are not required. We know that an unvaccinated person wearing a mask is not fully protected if they are close to someone with COVID-19 who is not wearing a mask. Schools need to mandate Pima County health and CDC guidelines to decrease the spread of COVID-19 as much as possible, to keep our schools open, so that our students do not miss even more time in the classroom than they already have. We have both personally worked with COVID-19 patients and have seen the devastating long-term effects, including some young people. Please protect our children, and our community, and make face coverings mandatory in all K – 12 schools.

Sincerely,

George and Laura Lewnes
6465 North Camino de Michael
Tucson, AZ 85718

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Danielle Greene

From: Leigh Hood-Schockmel <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:00 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandate

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As a teacher at a school where classrooms have had to shut down, please mandate masks. I fear my children's health and safety, as well as my students and myself. Please protect us since our governor will not.

Leigh Schockmel

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Danielle Greene

From: Amanda Raatz <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:59 PM
To: COB_mail; District4; DIST2
Subject: K-12 Mask Mandate - Meeting for tuesday

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To Whom it May Concern:

I write in FULL SUPPORT of mandating masks for schools. I work in the schools (fully vaccinated) and my son is in third grade in the vail school district. In my school alone in the first two weeks we have had approximately 7 to 10 cases.

Though I am vaccinated I still wear a mask, my community is seeing a raise in cases in children and it is scary. I can still be a carrier, transmit and bring the virus home to my family. My son is immune compromised and he has no access to a vaccine; being only 9 years old. For children like him that have a weaker system I ask that masks are mandated. He wears a mask to school and has no problem doing it. He understands that it is for his safety and the safety of his schoolmates. Masks PROTECT US! Yes, it is uncomfortable, but the alternative is much worse. The children are sitting in close contact, and all the germs are flying about. Masks are proven to work and I really do ask that they are mandated as soon as possible.

We know the DELTA variant is a fast spreader and it is irresponsible of us to not implement this mandate.

Thank you for reading this and taking the time to consider making masks mandatory while the spread continues to be high,

Amanda

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DISTRICT 4

Danielle Greene

From: Lindsey Kowalski <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:59 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate Support

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As a very concerned parent I implore you to read the wealth of information below about Covid-19. The county should mandate masks on all school properties and for everyone, regardless of vaccination. The risk for children below age 12 is significant with the Delta variant. Almost every single student from pre-k through 6th grade are at risk of getting Covid. Pima County School Superintendent doesn't agree with Ducey. "Governor Ducey made a politically motivated decision that puts our students and educators in danger. Schools need local control to keep our students safely learning in the classroom. I support our schools in doing what they need to do to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students, families, and educators. I'm asking Gov. Ducey to follow CDC guidelines and rescind his law on no mask mandates immediately."

Pima County School Superintendent Dustin Williams

<https://kvoa.com/news/local-news/2021/08/04/masks-mandate-unanimously-approved-for-tusd-in-defiance-of-state-law/>

Governor Ducey's ban on school masks is unconstitutional.

<http://www.azpha.org/wills-blog/2021/7/24/duceys-ban-on-school-mask-requirements-is-unconstitutional>

Even one of the most popular pediatric offices that see many of our TVUSD children agrees that masks should be used.

<https://tanqueverdepeds.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/July262021-Covid-Recs.pdf>

The American Academy of Pediatrics released recommendations that support in-person learning but would mandate universal masking for everyone over the age of 2 regardless of vaccination status. Delta is changing things and the CDC is yet again well behind the data.

<https://www.cnn.com/2021/07/19/us/aap-open-schools-covid/index.html>

Australia's public health department reports the first cases of transmission due to fleeting, non-physical contact in a cafe and a shopping mall, by case investigations that used video cameras. Literally passing by an infected person can lead to transmission of Delta among unvaccinated persons (we may assume they were unvaccinated as the vax rate in Australia is very low). We need to be masking at all times again, including outdoors if we are near/around others.

<https://medicalxpress.com/news/2021-06-australia-struggles-quash-persistent-coronavirus.html>

According to the chief health officer of Australia's Queensland, Dr. Jeannette Young, "With the Delta variant, we're seeing very fleeting contact leading to transmission. At the start of this pandemic, I spoke about 15 minutes of close contact being a concern. Now it looks like it's five to 10 seconds that's a concern. The risk is so much higher now than it was only a year ago."

<https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2021/jun/24/its-in-the-air-you-breathe-what-you-need-to-know-about-sydneys-delta-covid-variant>

This study shows people infected with Delta were more than twice as likely to be hospitalized, about four times as likely to progress to ICU, and more than twice as likely to die compared with people infected with earlier VOCs. In another study, people infected with Delta were about 5x more likely to require O2, be admitted to ICU, or die of C19 compared to those infected at the beginning of the pandemic when D614G was the dominant variant.

<https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.07.05.21260050v2.full>

Studies have shown an 85% increase in hospitalization among patients with Delta compared to prior VOCs.

[https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(21\)01358-1/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(21)01358-1/fulltext)

As you can see the data is there. Trust the science. Please require masks for anybody on a public school campus. Part of our Tanque Verde Unified School District Mission states "Make decisions based on factual information and/or measurable results." We can see what needs to be done, but our districts hands are tied and we're being forced to enforce decisions knowing they are not in the best interest of our students.

<https://www.tanqueverdeschools.org/BoardGoals.aspx>

Please keep our children safe and healthy.

Thank you,

Lindsey Kowalski

...a day without laughter is a day wasted...

Danielle Greene

From: Joseph Sipp <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:48 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K-12 Schools Within Pima County Mask Mandate

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My name is Joe Sipp. I live in Tucson and have 2 grandchildren who are too young to be vaccinated. When they are at school I expect the school to provide that protection. These children are the future of our country and deserve a chance. We are charged with providing that protection. The proper N95 equivalent mask when worn indoors does provide that protection and is recommended by the CDC. Our State is identified as a hot spot for the COVID variant and aggressive action is needed to protect our children in order to give them the opportunity to have a near normal experience at school. Children across the country are increasingly being infected and are now in ICUs. Do you board members want it on your conscience to be responsible for an avoidable infection? Until Pima county reaches an 80% vaccination level and all children can be vaccinated, strict controls need to be in place to control the spread of the virus and the people of PIMA county can go back to a normal life.

In summary please implement a mask mandate for our schools.
Thank you for listening to my plea.

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From: Amy Fitch Heacock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:48 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K-12 Mask Mandate

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Danielle Greene

From: Melany Coates <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:34 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K-12 Mask Mandate

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As a teacher and resident of Pima County, I will do my part in public health, wearing a mask to help stop the spread of COVID and its variants. I ask that a mask mandate is put in place, as we know there are some who don't wear masks and continue to spread the virus.

I want to teach the full year in person. My students want to be in the classroom with their peers, moving their learning forward at a much deeper level than what can be learned online.

Keep public health at the forefront and not politics as we all navigate to get through this pandemic.

Thank you,

Melany Coates

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Danielle Greene

From: prokar (null) <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:25 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Tuesday Meeting of the Board

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Please pass this message on to the board at their meeting on Tuesday where they are addressing making masks mandatory in school.

You do not have the power to override a law signed by the Governor. This law states that kids and teachers are not required to wear masks or get the vaccine. Huckleberry stating that there was no public discussion is an outright lie. Parents of students have been fighting to get their voices heard at every single school board meeting across the county and their message has been a resounding no! You don't have the right to put our kids in masks or require vaccines. The numbers and the real science do NOT support this. The delta variant is fear propaganda and they are now reporting that it's the masked, vaxxed who are getting it. So this makes no common sense. This is all about political control and abusing your positions of power. You do NOT have the best interests of the kids and teachers in mind. This is a selfish and illegal move on your part if you try to require masks. It's damaging to the mental and physical health of our kids. There are many studies of how harmful mask wearing is for our children. Continuously breathing in your own bacteria and carbon dioxide is harmful to your respiratory health and brain health. It is harmful psychologically as well. Masks are harmful for everyone, but especially our children. And you are ignoring the REAL science! Stop using our kids as pawns in your political game! This is child abuse. If you try to mandate this you are breaking the law and anyone of you on this board who vote for this should be arrested. I have no doubt that you are being financially incentivized by the leftists to push this. Shame on you! We will be calling for your arrest if you pass this!

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Danielle Greene

From: Patricia Schell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:23 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Resolution Mandating the Use of Face Coverings in All K-12 Schools

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I write to you today as a grandmother of an eleven year old who attends Coronado K-8 School in the Amphi School District.

I implore you to pass the Resolution to mandate the use of face coverings in all K-12 schools in Pima County. I realize that the Arizona governor's actions have put you in a difficult position. However, scientific data show that compliance with the recent executive order banning mask mandates in schools will severely endanger the health and well being of students, teachers, and staff in schools in our county. The health and wellness of our students and teachers should be non-negotiable and has no place in politics.

I support following the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics, and the U.S. Department of Education guidelines that masks need to be worn in our schools.

As COVID-19 cases continue a very serious and dangerous upward trend in Arizona and children under the age of 12 (like my grandson) remain ineligible for the vaccine and thus are vulnerable even in the setting of vaccinated adults. They are the group for which implementing mandatory asking in the school setting is most important.

Voluntary masking is not an equivalent choice as masking works best when everyone does it. **No family should have to choose between health and safety and a good education.**

Thank you for demonstrating your continued commitment to the health and safety of our children by responding to our concerns in a timely fashion.

Regards,
Patricia M Schell

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Danielle Greene

From: Laurie McMahon <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:22 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandates For Schools

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I am writing this email with high hopes that Pima county will start enforcing mask mandates in schools, especially in the Vail School district. I am a family practice nurse practitioner working within the community and I can tell you first hand that masks work in preventing the spread of infection. Unfortunately if masks aren't mandated there will be many people not wearing their masks as we all know. Increased the spread of this deadly disease.

Currently in the Vail area there are not enough parents or children that have been vaccinated and we must do something to help slow the spread and keep our teachers, kids safe and community safe.

Additionally, there are many military, first responders, healthcare workers that have children in the Vail School district and within two weeks of school being open one of our children was sent home on quarantine because she was "close to another kid who had covid", fortunately she did not get sick as far as we know, but this has caused a great stress on getting to work and keeping us from working where and when we're needed the most.

- it's not much of an option to ask your kid to be the only kid wearing their mask in class since masking-up has not been encouraged within the Vail School district.

When I say masks work let me explain, I see 3,600 patients a year, and the past flu season I did not treat one flu illness which is unheard of, I also didn't treat any RSV and treated very few children for asthma flare-ups. And this is a direct result of people wearing masks.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Laurie McMahon FNP-C

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Danielle Greene

From: Anastasia Tsatsakis <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:55 PM
To: COB_mail
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Letter for August 10 meeting -

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To Whom It May Concern,

I'm **opposed** to the mask mandate for K-12.

You are all in violation of our parental rights under ARS 1-601 and 1-602. Take a stand against child abuse!

ARS 8-201:

This establishes the legal definition of "abuse" in state law. It reads:

"Abuse" means the infliction or allowing of physical injury, IMPAIRMENT OF BODILY FUNCTION or disfigurement or the infliction of or allowing another person to CAUSE SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DAMAGE as evidenced by severe anxiety, depression, withdrawal or untoward aggressive behavior and which emotional damage is diagnosed by a medical doctor or psychologist and is caused by the acts or omissions of an individual who has the care, custody and control of a child.

School districts across Arizona are being permitted to violate state statute and abuse our children with impunity.

Unlike violations of the parents rights statutes, there are real and serious consequences for committing the crime of child abuse.

ARS 13-3623:

Under circumstances other than those likely to produce death or serious physical injury to a child, any person who causes a child to suffer physical injury or ABUSE or, having the care or custody of a child, who causes or permits the person or health of the child to be injured or who causes or permits a child to be placed in a situation where the person or health of the child is endangered is guilty of an offense as follows:

- 1. If done intentionally or knowingly, the offense is a class 4 felony.*
- 2. If done recklessly, the offense is a class 5 felony.*
- 3. If done with criminal negligence, the offense is a class 6 felony.*

It goes on to state that, "Abuse", when used in reference to a child, means abuse as defined in section 8-201.

FYI: BREATHING IS A CRITICAL BODILY FUNCTION AND MASKS COVERING THE NOSE AND MOUTH IMPAIRS IT!!

Officials in our state have turned a blind eye to this and allowed our children to literally be abused in the name of "protecting others." We cannot continue to allow children to be sacrificed to provide a false sense of security to adults that refuse to accept scientific data and evidence. Abusing children so that some people can "feel better" is not acceptable... EVER. Not even in a "pandemic".

The school district governing board members that vote to continue mask requirement policies and district staff that enforce mask wearing by children must be charged accordingly, TO THE LETTER OF THE LAW. As will you! We need immediate action on this as there are districts are and have been making decisions about masks for the start adn remainder of the school year.

This is to inform you of this statute because your knowledge of it increases your penalty from a class 4 felony to a class 6 felony.

Any supervisor who puts their name to pass this document will be dealt with!! You are hereby warned!

I also request that you face us in person and not hide behind virtual meetings! You should have made arrangements as per Open Meeting Law of the State of Arizona to accommodate the public to face you IN PERSON at a different venue! You violated that as well!

We have a right to face you all and be heard!

Regards,

Anastasia

From: Bob Evans <Bob.Evans@ec.gc.ca>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:53 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Call to the public

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Please require masks in all Pima County schools to protect the teachers, the students, and their families.
John R. Evans

Sent from my iPad

Danielle Greene

From: Matthew Entwistle <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:49 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Schools masks

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Pima Board of Supervisors,

Please make masks mandatory in schools until we can get our children vaccinated.

Thank you,

Matt

Sent from my iPhone

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[Handwritten signature]

Danielle Greene

From: Deborah Lingrey <Deborah.Lingrey@pima.gov>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:47 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: A letter to the Pima County Board of Supervisors in support of an K-12 indoor mask mandate

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To the Pima County Board of Supervisors:

I am a retired teacher who believes that children of Pima County have the right to attend in-person classes in a safe learning environment. Unfortunately, students are heading back to school as the Delta variant of COVID-19 is on the rise in Arizona and risk of transmission is considered “substantial.”

School leaders need to develop control measures for COVID-19 to ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of students in their care. They must gauge the needs of their individual school communities and implement CDC protocols, as necessary, especially in environments where children are too young for vaccinations.

One of the easiest and most effective mitigation measures is that of indoor mask-wearing, regardless of vaccination status. Please pass an indoor mask mandate for Pima County K-12 schools. It will help keep students and staff (and, by extension, their families and communities) safe until the number of COVID-19 cases and the risk of transmission decrease.

Sincerely,

Deborah Lingrey
2280 E. Placita Sin Muerte
Tucson AZ 85718



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Danielle Greene

From: Ann Marie Palmer <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:44 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Masks and K-12 students

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Date: 8/8/21

Dear Pima County Supervisors:

I am writing to you as a concerned [parent/teacher/grandparent/community member and constituent] to thank you for adding Resolution of the Pima County Board of Supervisors Mandating the Use of Face Coverings in All K-12 Schools Within the County, as an Effective Mitigation Strategy to Keep our Children Safe from COVID-19; Effective Immediately to the Pima County Addendum Agenda for 8/10/21.

I am a teacher at TUSD. Our lowest class size for grades K-5 at my school is 24 the highest is 33. How can we socially distance? Masks would be something we could do. I am willing to spend my money as I have since March on masks for my students, but I need you to make the mandate.

I urge Pima County Supervisors to vote in favor of the County Resolution requiring a universal mask requirement in K-12 schools.

Arizona is currently experiencing another COVID-19 surge, with cases having tripled over the past month, coinciding with the arrival of the highly contagious SARS-CoV-2 delta variant in the state. States all over the country are seeing an increase in cases among the unvaccinated, and this includes a drastic increase in child hospitalizations, many of whom are not yet eligible for vaccination. The Academy of Pediatrics recently reported that cases among US children and teens jumped 84% in a week.

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Schools began welcoming back students to campus late last month and are already experiencing outbreaks across the state. Many are being forced back to online learning because they are not able to use simple mitigation tools like universal masking. The science around masking is settled. Masks work to prevent disease transmission. All recent public health agencies, both national and local, have issued statements recommending universal masks for K-12 students in schools.^[1]

Arizonans have a right to safe schools for Arizona kids. Governor Ducey is attempting to prevent school officials from implementing any public health mitigation strategies in line with leading public health agencies, including the CDC and Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) to help protect students, all while COVID19 cases are again rising in our communities and more contagious variants are becoming more widespread.

The law passed by the state, banning schools from implementing such policies is likely unconstitutional,^[2] doesn't take effect until Sept. 29 and poses a serious risk to life and health.

Please choose to stand with our children and Arizona communities in supporting a safe return to the classroom by adopting the Resolution requiring masks in K-12 schools.

Thank you,

AnnMarie Mezzio-Palmer

Danielle Greene

From: Jessie C <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:44 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mandate Masks

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Schools are open... covid is spreading at an even more alarming rate! When we last went back in person after the lock down, there were safety protocols in place...masks were mandatory. Now the virus is even more contagious and the protocols are no longer in place. We Need To Have Mandatory Masks!!! We must protect our students... our teachers/staff and our community! Listen to the science! Save lives!

Thank you for your time.

Jessie

10/21/2021 10:00 AM
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Danielle Greene

From: BRETT SAPP <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:42 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandate for Pima County schools

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Dear Board of Supervisors-

I have two kids in middle school with the Vail Unified School District. It is a scary time to have kids in the classroom. I know they learn so much better at school but I also fear for their well-being. Each day I struggle with the decision to keep them in the classroom or move to online learning. It is disheartening that schools cannot require masks, one of the best mitigation strategies available. I urge the board to enact a mask mandate for schools, at least elementary and middle school, until the spread of COVID is much less substantial or the vaccine is available to all school age children.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Brett Sapp

Sent from my iPad

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From: Lindsey Stone <linstone@coyote.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:41 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Masks in Schools

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I am a high school educator and scientist in Pima county. I am privileged to have 145 students in my care every day, and it's because I am invested in their lives and futures that I implore you to act urgently. Please follow the science and insist that the safety of our students, faculty and staff be prioritized by mandating masks on K-12 and university campuses in Pima county.

Lindsey Stone
Physics Teacher

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Danielle Greene

From: Mike Land <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:38 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Resolution on school face coverings

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Date: 8-8-2021

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Thank you,

Mike Land

2798 West Firebrook

Tucson, Az 85741

[1] Public Health Guidance - recent statements all recommending universal masks in K-12 schools

7/16/2021 Arizona Medical Association's Statement on Upholding Public Health Policies in K-12 Schools

7/19/2021 American Academy of Pediatrics

7/26/2021 Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Position on School Reopening

7/27/2021 CDC

7/27/2021 ADHS

8/2021 Arizona Academy of Family Physicians

[2] *The Network for Public Health*, "Assessing the Constitutionality of Arizona's Ban on School Mask Requirements Under Arizona's Single-Subject Rule" JULY 28, 2021 see,

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/56ec8d2562cd9413c14c0019/t/6101c007b3c13f3dee9c2bd6/1627504647717/Western+Region+Memo+-+COVID+AZ+Mask+Ban.pdf>

Danielle Greene

From: Joey Campbell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:48 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Vote yes for mask mandates

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Hello,

I'm a very concerned mom of three. I am sending my three young children to public school for the first time this year after being extremely cautious for the past 18 months. Our family never stopped wearing masks, even after the adults were vaccinated, because we knew our children are still vulnerable. Our children began school on Monday, August 2nd at Dove Mountain CSTEM. On Friday, my son came home from school lethargic and complaining of a sore throat. By Saturday morning he was congested and with a runny nose so we took him to get a covid test. Sure enough, he has it and now my other two children are also starting to show symptoms. How many parents would easily send their school-aged children into the classroom with a runny nose and not think a second time of it?! THIS is why we must mandate masks. PLEASE do the right thing to keep our children - and our community - safe.

Joey Madru Campbell
Concerned mom and Pima county resident

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Danielle Greene

From: Christina Bergin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:46 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Support for Pima County's Resolution BOS Agenda 08/10/21

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Thank you,
Christina Bergin, MD
Internal Medicine Hospitalist Physician

Citations:

7/16/2021 Arizona Medical Association's Statement on Upholding Public Health Policies in K-12 Schools

7/19/2021 American Academy of Pediatrics

7/26/2021 Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Position on School Reopening

7/27/2021 CDC

7/27/2021 ADHS

8/2021 Arizona Academy of Family Physicians

The Network for Public Health, "Assessing the Constitutionality of Arizona's Ban on School Mask Requirements Under Arizona's Single-Subject Rule" JULY 28, 2021 see,

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Danielle Greene

From: Christina Thompson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:44 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: support for Pima County's Resolution BOS Agenda 08/10/21

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Thank you,
Christina Thompson

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Danielle Greene

From: Tyler Deeny <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:42 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: No Mask Mandate

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Hello,

I am a concerned constituent. Mandating the masking of children in the name of Covid-19 safety is simply anti-science at this point. I am concerned over the general public's lack of understanding in probabilities, and over the fear mongering that seems to be targeted towards children.

I am strongly opposed to the mandating of masks in schools. If a parent is afraid, they can have their child wear an N95 mask and perform effective hand washing. This way, their child is "safe" and it won't matter what other children are doing.

There are serious costs to prolonged masking of children. Please do not enact a mandate. I would hate to be forced to take my children out of their district school.

Thank you,
Tyler

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Danielle Greene

From: Marie Wood <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:41 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Call to the public

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To whom it may concern,

I am a mother of two, one in 3rd and the other 11th. We a absolutely back having a mask mandate in Pima county.

Thank you for you time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Marie Wood

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Danielle Greene

From: GREGG GOLDNER <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:38 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Comment for Board of Supervisors to adopt K-12 Mask Mandate

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Dear members of the Pima County Board of Supervisors,

When I was a teacher years ago, one of my students had a [REDACTED] in the middle of a crowded classroom full of students. As the adult in charge I had to assess the situation and make the decision of what to do that would be in the best interest to that student and the students around them. It was a scary situation, but acting quickly in an intelligent manner is what my job called on me to do.

I chose to get all the other students a safe distance away while immediately calling for help from a qualified medical personal on campus. Once on the phone, the medical professional gave me educated medical advice on what I needed to do before they arrived.

I handled the situation the best I could by using my skills and respecting that in a medical emergency situation I defer to people who are trained and educated on what to do.

As board members, you are now faced with a medical situation. I'm asking you to be the adults in charge and use both your skills and intelligence to respect the opinion of the medical community. The educated medical community is stating very loudly and very clearly that at the very least we need a school mask mandate to keep our students and our community safe.

When my student needed me in that medical situation I called a medical professional and followed their advice.

This is what I'm asking you to do today. I'm asking you to step up and be the adult in the room and listen to the people who are educated and trained to help us all.

Sincerely,
Gregg Goldner
(Former teacher and concerned parent)

10/05/2021 09:47:00 AM
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Danielle Greene

From: Sherry Howard <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:40 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Resolution mandating the use of face coverings in schools

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Pima County Board of Supervisors,

As you prepare to vote to (illegally) mandate the use of face coverings in K-12 schools, I would like to remind you of a new state law.

H.B. 2898

Section 12. Title 15. Chapter 3. Article 3. Arizona Revised Statutes is amended by adding section 15-342.05 to read:

15-342.05 Face coverings: Requirement Prohibition

A. Notwithstanding any other law or order, a county, city, town, school district governing board or charter school governing body may NOT require the use of face coverings by students or staff during school hours and on school property.

B. A school district or charter school may NOT require a student or teacher to receive a vaccine for Covid-19 or to wear a face covering to participate in in-person instruction.

Section 117. Retroactivity

A. Section 15-342.05, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, applies retroactively to from and after June 30, 2021.

Please be advised that I sent a copy of this email to Governor Ducey as well as my children's school superintendent so they are aware that parents in Pima County are concerned and still fighting to maintain the right to make medical decisions for their children.

Thank you for your time,
Sherry Howard
Pima County resident

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Danielle Greene

From: Alex Belous <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:36 PM
To: COB_mail
Cc: Laura Belous
Subject: Mask mandate

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County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing as a former Arizona school teacher (30+ years in the classroom) and as a grandmother of 2 Arizona children. I feel it is extremely important for school children to wear masks in school settings in order to prevent the spread of the highly contagious Delta variant of Covid 19. The American Academy of Pediatrics as well as the CDC are both encouraging the importance of children masking up. Covid cases of young children are being documented in hospitals across the country as well as globally. We MUST protect our children by mandating the use of masks by students, teachers, staff and all people that are on campuses. Our children were in mask compliance in the last school year and were able to avoid large outbreaks. With the Delta variant being much more contagious and harmful, simple masking up will allow our children to stay in school, get their much needed in person education, keep their relatives safer and prevent further mutations of Covid 19, which could produce vaccine resistant problems.

Respectfully,
Linda Belous

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Danielle Greene

From: Jen Hudson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:29 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: To show support for Pima County's Resolution BOS Agenda 08/10/21

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Thank you,
Jen Hudson

Danielle Greene

From: Jillian Golder <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:28 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate K-12 Schools, Support

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Good Evening Board Members,

My name is Jillian Golder and I am writing as both a mother and healthcare worker employed at Oro Valley Hospital. My children are ages 10 & 11, attending Painted Sky Elementary and Coronado Middle School. For many of our children who are without the option for a vaccine at this time, attending school in an environment that follows recommendations from the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics and American Federation of Teachers seems essential and obvious. For 18 months, our family has been working to make the best of ever changing, challenging situations including online learning, heartbreaking work experiences within the medical field and finding a balance between modified school schedules and work responsibilities. In my opinion, the inconvenience of requiring students and staff to be masked while attending school far outweighs the very real possibility that we will once again return to learning options that are suboptimal and not sustainable for another year.

Thank you,
Jillian Golder

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Danielle Greene

From: Sarah R <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:27 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask resolution

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Hello-

My name is Sarah Richardson and I want to voice my support and gratitude for your resolution for required masking for k12 institutions.

Thank you for following public health guidelines and protecting our children.

Sarah Richardson

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Danielle Greene

From: Jeremiah P-W <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:27 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Comment on potential mask mandate for k-12 in Pima County

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Hello there,

I'm a parent of two elementary school students in tusd, and an educator and state employee. I think as parents, until we're able to vaccinate our children, we must do what we can to protect them, by requiring masks on elementary and middle school campuses. To say otherwise flies in the face of science and public health. I appreciate that the county is considering a mandate.

Thank you,
Jeremiah Paschke-Wood

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Danielle Greene

From: james wilkins <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:19 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Do not make mask mandates

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To whom it may concern,

I urge you as a parent of an elementary age student, please please do not mandate masks in school! Besides the fact that it is against the law to mandate masks in school, as the governor of our state passed the law that no school or county can mandate masks. It is against the law! What are you teaching these kids? To not follow the law? To go against what the law states?

It is OUR right as parents to do what we think is best for our children! And if that's not having them wear masks in school, then that's our right to make that decision! We are our children's parents!! Not you, not the mayor, not the government. There are children in my daughters class that wear masks and that's their parents right to have them wear them. Not another parents to make comments or to judge and teach our children to judge other kids who are wearing masks or not wearing masks!

It's time to make this madness stop!!

Sincerely,

Heather- a resident of Pima County and a parent of a child in the Tanque Verde School District

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Danielle Greene

From: Doug Kosloske <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:17 PM
To: COB_mail; District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5
Subject: Agenda item # 6

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Item # 6 regarding masking all K-12 children in school is totally nonsense. These kids are so far removed from the statistical numbers of succumbing from Covid that the damage of masking all regardless , causes more psychological damage then the Virus itself. Let kids be kids and get over this control issue the nay sayers are trying to jam down our throats.

Doug Kosloske
URGVS
Registered voter in Pima County

575 N Hale Dr
Green Valley, AZ 85614

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Danielle Greene

From: Ellen Entwistle <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:16 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mandatory Masking in Pima County Schools

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am asking you to consider mandating masking in all Pima County Schools. Our little ones cannot get vaccinated, so it is the only chance they have to be protected from a surging virus. It just seems to be common sense to use the only protection available to those who cannot get vaccinated. My grandchildren spent the past school year on line to be protected. They need to be in school this year. Also, we do not want them to spread the virus to us even though we are vaccinated. Please mandate masks.

Thank You,

Bill & Ellen Entwistle

Grandparents of three grandchildren in Pima County Schools

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Danielle Greene

From: Sarah C White <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:16 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Comment on Mask Mandate

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Please include the following comment in the upcoming meeting on Tuesday, August 10th regarding a mask mandate for Pima County schools.

Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to ask you to mandate masks for all Pima County schools as students return in person this Fall semester. I have a 9-year-old son entering the 4th grade in the Catalina Foothills District and I am extremely concerned about protecting him and other students who cannot be vaccinated for Covid. At this time, masks are the only way to protect students under 12 from contracting the virus in classroom settings. We have already seen Covid cases spread through schools in the Tucson area, resulting in quarantines of entire classrooms. I am worried about how these quarantine periods, which are inevitable without masks, will affect students' learning, especially following the interrupted year we've just lived through. I urge you to take any action necessary to require masks in public schools in Pima County as soon as possible. It is a matter of health and safety for all of our children.

Many thanks,
Sarah White

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Danielle Greene

From: Maggie Myers <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 2:10 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask Mandate

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Hello!

My name is Maggie Myers, I live in Pima County and urge you to mandate masks for schools. My son is 4, and unable to be vaccinated. Every day I send him to preschool at our local elementary school, I hope it's not the day he gets sick with COVID. My son wears a mask, but not all the children and adults do. I worry about my son, but also for other children who are immune compromised and are at far greater risk than my son. The most recent folks I know who contracted COVID include an unvaccinated father of 4 who died from the virus, and a 5 year old little girl who contracted COVID a week after starting kindergarten and passed it to her 8 year old sister.

Please protect our children!

Kindly,

Maggie Myers

Sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Amy Hoy <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 8:55 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Face mask comments

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Hi there.

I'm a resident of Pima County and I don't have kids. But I am immunocompromised, and the nurse who visits my home to give me my weekly infusions does have three young kids, all old enough for school but too young to be vaccinated.

So not only do I worry for her kids, but I worry for me. They're a very healthy family. I'm not. There's a possibility that they might have an asymptomatic case, and bring it to my door by accident.

It's not only children and their siblings, parents, guardians and relatives who need the protection of masks in the classroom. "No man is an island." We are all connected and protecting children and school staff and bus drivers protects everyone.

Amy Hoy

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Amy Hoy, [REDACTED]

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Danielle Greene

From: Crystal Espinoza-Shanahan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 1:58 AM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K-12 Pima County Mask Mandate

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors:

I am a parent of two elementary-aged children in Pima County, and I respectfully submit this plea for universal masking in K-12. As you are aware, Delta is on the rise and layered mitigation is necessary when congregating indoors, as school children must. A key piece of layered mitigation is universal masking. Yet, the Arizona Legislature and Governor Ducey have created a law that defies science and endangers children. Unfortunately, we cannot count on CFSD, the #1 district in Arizona, to help us protect our unvaccinated children in spite of this law. When pressed by CFSD parents, the Governing Board replied that they will "never take action that is knowingly illegal." Yet history tells us that such ill-formed laws must be broken, and it is incumbent upon the citizenry and public leaders to take action. On behalf of Pima County's youngest, unvaccinated children, please leverage your authority and put in place an immediate universal K-12 mask mandate. Thank you for your service to Pima County.

Sincerely,

Crystal Espinoza-Shanahan
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Danielle Greene

From: Catherine Rhianna Hess <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:20 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Pima County Masking for K-12 Schools

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To whom it may concern,

Not only for my child, who attends Canyon Del Oro High School, but for every Amphi student and their families I urge Amphitheater School District to ignore Governor Doucey's partisan and scientifically ignorant executive order banning masks at Arizona public schools, which may be in violation of Arizona's Constitution which places governing of Arizona schools in hands other than the Governor's office.

Notwithstanding, the CDC's masking recommendations, due to the rise in the Delta variant that is more aggressive in younger age groups, is the very real fact that schools, public and private, have been enforcing dress codes for decades. If a young girl can be sent home for wearing a skirt deemed too short or a spaghetti strap shirt; essentially, for not covering their bodies. Then students can be sent home for not covering their faces. More damage can be done with an uncovered face than uncovered knees and shoulders. Mask mandates can and should be enforced, at the very least.

In closing, it borders on shameful that Salpointe Catholic High School, a religious school, is honoring scientific evidence and recommendations when secular public school districts in Arizona are not.

Please, ignore and/or file suit against Governor Doucey's overreach of power, and mandate mask in our schools.

Respectfully,
Catherine Hess

10/09/21 09:57 AM
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Danielle Greene

From: Alicia Allen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:05 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Request for Mask Mandate from a concerned parent and epidemiologist
Attachments: Mask Graphic.pdf

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Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am communicating with you today in regards to the health and safety of the students in our district. My son is in grade at Ironwood Elementary. I am a high-risk single parent, and I am terrified.

As we know COVID is still present in our community, in fact, a new variant is now present that is 5 to 8 times as contagious as the original variant. Moreover, it is more dangerous to kids. Currently over 19,000 children are becoming infected with COVID every day in the US. So far, more than 32 children in Arizona have died. Our state has second most child deaths in the country - even more than Texas, which has 29 million people versus our 7.2 million people. **How many more children need to die in our state before we take action?**

We also know that vaccines and masks work. They are part of a multi-level mitigation plan along with social distancing and other measures that are proven to work. This is why I want to strongly encourage you to do the right thing and require masks in your schools and classrooms. Masking is the recommended approach to keep children safe. It is our best option right now. **It is strongly recommended by numerous health professionals and experts at the international (e.g., World Health Organization), the national (e.g., the American Academy of Pediatrics) and the state level (e.g., the Arizona Medical Association).**

However, in order for masking to work, it needs to be done by everyone. It cannot be a personal choice. Specifically, if a masked person who does not have COVID is in contact with a maskless person who does have COVID, there is a 75% probability of transmission. This can be reduced to a probability of 1.5% transmission if both parties wear a mask (see attached image). **Masking by all reduces overall risk of transmission by 98%!**

Also, please do note that I am a doctoral-level epidemiologist, as well as a professor in the college of medicine and school of public health at University of Arizona. I am highly educated and experienced in understanding, evaluating, and synthesizing medical evidence and medical literature. The science behind mask mandates is strong and sound.

I'm pleading with you as a mother who understands what is at stake here. **Please do what is right and vote to allow mask mandates.** We must keep our children, our most vulnerable residents, safe regardless of laws or executive orders from politicians. It is time to take a moral stand for our children.

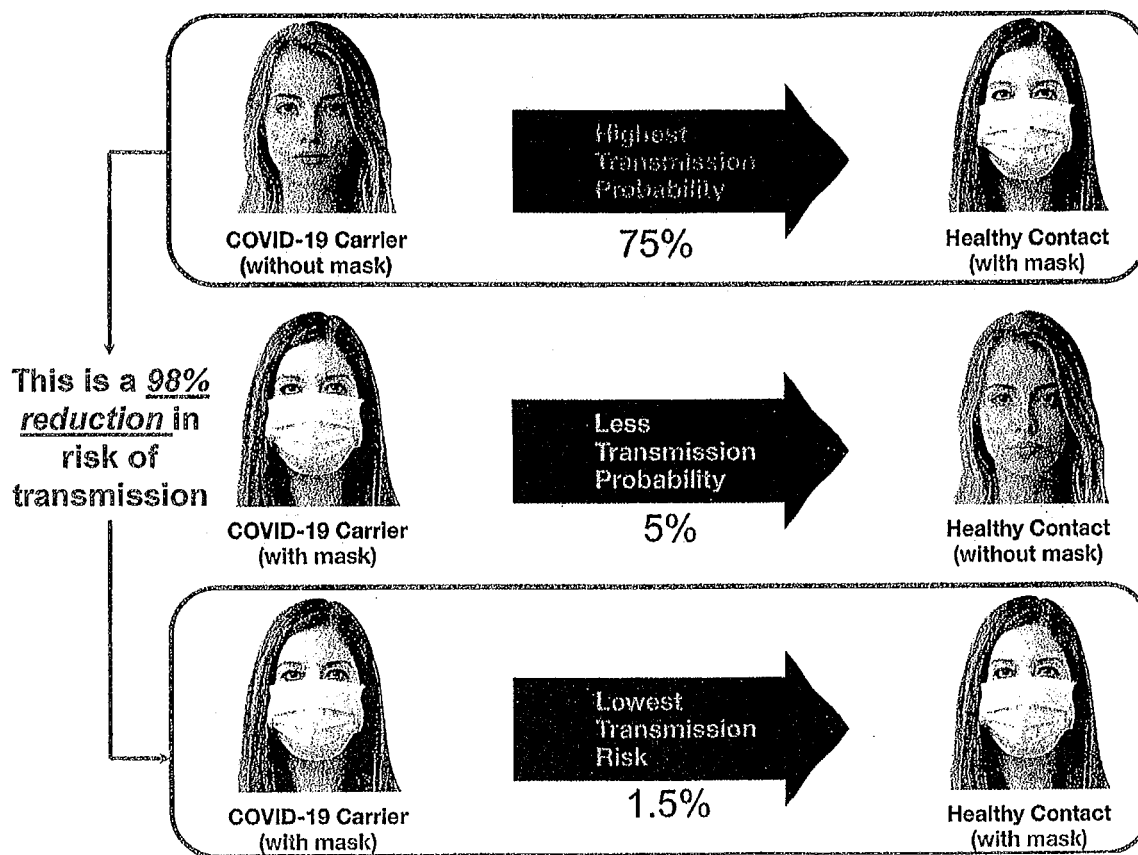
Thank you for your time and service to Pima County. I sincerely appreciate it.

Respectfully,

Alicia Allen, PhD, MPH

In community,

 I'm using Inbox When Ready to protect my focus.



Danielle Greene

From: Denisa Casement <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 1:03 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Please pass a mask mandate

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Dear Pima County,

I know many schools are doing their best but in order to protect the children and their families, we need a county wide mask mandate.

We're already seeing the effect of voluntary masking in other states. Children are being hospitalized at a rate that dwarfs 2020.

Thank you,
Denisa Casement
Tucson 85711

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Danielle Greene

From: Laura H <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:57 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: I'm Opposed to the Mask Mandate for K-12
Attachments: CHILDREN Mask Mandate.pdf; Parental Rights Handbook - Public Charter Schools (1).pdf

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To Whom It May Concern,

I'm opposed to the mask mandate for K-12. I ask that you review my attached documents and that you remove the masks from all schools. You are all in violation of our parental rights under ARS 1-601 and 1-602.

Take a stand against child abuse.

ARS 8-201, establishes the legal definition of "abuse" in state law. It reads;

"Abuse" means the infliction or allowing of physical injury, IMPAIRMENT OF BODILY FUNCTION or disfigurement or the infliction of or allowing another person to CAUSE SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DAMAGE as evidenced by severe anxiety, depression, withdrawal or untoward aggressive behavior and which emotional damage is diagnosed by a medical doctor or psychologist and is caused by the acts or omissions of an individual who has the care, custody and control of a child.

School districts across Arizona are being permitted to violate state statute and abuse our children with impunity.

Unlike violations of the parents rights statutes, there are real and serious consequences for committing the crime of child abuse.

ARS 13-3623

Under circumstances other than those likely to produce death or serious physical injury to a child, any person who causes a child to suffer physical injury or ABUSE or, having the care or custody of a child, who causes or permits the person or health of the child to be injured or who causes or permits a child to be placed in a situation where the person or health of the child is endangered is guilty of an offense as follows:

1. If done intentionally or knowingly, the offense is a class 4 felony.
2. If done recklessly, the offense is a class 5 felony.
3. If done with criminal negligence, the offense is a class 6 felony.

It goes on to state that,

"Abuse", when used in reference to a child, means abuse as defined in section 8-201.

FYI: BREATHING IS A BODILY FUNCTION AND MASKS COVERING THE NOSE AND MOUTH IMPAIRS IT

Officials in our state have turned a blind eye to this and allowed our children to literally be abused in the name of "protecting others." We cannot continue to allow children to be sacrificed to provide a false sense of security to adults that refuse to accept scientific data and evidence. Abusing children so that some people can "feel better" is not acceptable... EVER. Not even in a "pandemic".

The school district governing board members that vote to continue mask requirement policies and district staff that enforce mask wearing by children must be charged accordingly, TO THE LETTER OF THE LAW. We need immediate action on this as there are districts making decisions about masks for the remainder of the school year and the upcoming summer school session now.

This is to inform you of this statute because your knowledge of it increases your penalty from a class 4 felony to a class 6 felony.

I also request that you face us in person and not hide behind virtual meetings! We have a right to meet and be heard!

Sincerely,
Laura Hinyup

Date: May 11, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

I am sending you this notice, on behalf of Joshua Hinyup. My findings raise significant concerns, both medically and legally, of the current mask policy in place. Masks are ineffective for the purpose claimed by the mandate, potentially harmful, and only authorized for use by an EUA.

Masks are ineffective and in many ways they harm.

It's a myth that masks prevent viruses from spreading. The overall evidence is clear: Standard cloth and surgical masks offer next to no protection against virus-sized particles or small aerosols.¹ The size of a virus particle is much too small to be stopped by a surgical mask, cloth or bandana. A single virion of SARS-CoV-2 is about 60-140 nanometers or 0.1 microns.² The pore size in a surgical mask is 200-1000x that size. Consider that the CDC website states, "surgical masks do not catch all harmful particles in smoke." And that the size of smoke particles in a wildfire are ~0.5 microns which is 5x the size of the SARS-CoV-2 virus! Wearing a mask to prevent catching SARS-CoV-2, or similarly sized influenza, is like throwing sand at a chain-link fence: it doesn't work. There has been one large randomized controlled trial that specifically examined whether masks protect their wearers from the coronavirus. This study found mask wearing "did not reduce, at conventional levels of statistical significance, the incidence of Sars-Cov-2-infection."³

Consider also, that the existence of more particles does not mean more virus. Research shows less virus does not mean less illness. Dr. Kevin Fennelly, a pulmonologist at the National Heart, Lung and Blood institute debunked the view that larger droplets are responsible for viral transmission. Fennelly wrote:

"current infection control policies are based on the premise that most respiratory infections are transmitted by large respiratory droplets- i.e., larger than 5 [microns] – produced by coughing and sneezing, ...Unfortunately, that premise is wrong."⁴

Fennelly referenced a 1953 paper on anthrax that showed a single bacterial spore of about one micron was significantly more lethal than larger clumps of spores.⁵ Exposure to one virus particle is theoretically enough to cause infection and subsequent disease. This is not an alarming thought - it simply means what it has always meant, that our immune system protects us continually all our life.⁶

There have been hundreds of mask studies related to influenza transmission done over several decades. It is a well-established fact that masks do not stop viruses. "Part of that evidence shows that cloth facemasks actually increase influenza-linked illness."⁷ Bacteria are 50x larger than virus particles.⁸ As such, virus particles can enter through the mask pores, yet bacteria remain trapped inside of the mask, resulting in the mask-wearer continually exposed to the bacteria.

Related to the 1918-1919 influenza pandemic, there was almost universal agreement among experts, that deaths were virtually never caused by the influenza virus itself but resulted directly from severe secondary pneumonia caused by well-known bacterial “pneumopathogens” that colonized the upper respiratory tract.⁹ Dr. Fauci and his National Institute of Health studied pandemics and epidemics and concluded, “the vast majority of influenza deaths resulted from secondary bacterial pneumonia.”¹⁰

All parties mandating the use of facemasks are not only willfully ignoring established science but are engaging in what amounts to a whole school clinical experimental trial. This conclusion is reached by the fact that facemask use and COVID-19 incidence are being reported in scientific *opinion* pieces promoted by the CDC and others.¹¹ The fact is **after reviewing ALL of the studies worldwide, the CDC found “no reduction in viral transmission with the use of face masks.”**¹²

Additionally, Children have been repeatedly shown not to be drivers of this contagion. It is well-accepted that children have a statistically zero chance of dying from COVID. The CDC shows the K-12 mortality rate from or with COVID is .00003.¹³ Any intervention, especially one that is prophylactic, must cause fewer harms to the recipient than the infection. Since children have the lowest death rate from COVID infection, the cost-benefit of requiring children to wear an investigational face-covering with emerging safety issues is especially difficult to justify. Anthony Fauci was very clear that asymptomatic transmission was not a threat. He stated, “in all the history of respiratory-borne viruses of any type, asymptomatic transmission has never been the driver of outbreaks. The driver of outbreaks is always a symptomatic person.”¹⁴

Wearing respirators come(s) with a host of physiological and psychological burdens. These can interfere with task performances and reduce work efficiency. These burdens can even be severe enough to cause life-threatening conditions if not ameliorated.¹⁵ Fifteen years ago, National Taiwan University Hospital concluded that the use of N-95 masks in healthcare workers caused them to experience hypoxemia, a low level of oxygen in the blood, and hypercapnia, an elevation in the blood's carbon dioxide levels.¹⁶ Studies of simple surgical masks found significant reductions in blood oxygen as well. In one particular study, researchers measured blood oxygenation before and after surgeries in 53 surgeons. Researchers found the mask reduced the blood oxygen levels significantly, and the longer the duration of wearing the mask, the greater the drop in blood oxygen levels.¹⁷

Moreover, people with cancer, will be at a further risk from hypoxia, as cancer cells grow best in a bodily environment that is low in oxygen. Low oxygen also promotes systemic inflammation which, in turn, promotes “the growth, invasion and spread of cancers.”¹⁸ Repeated episodes of low oxygen, known as intermittent hypoxia, also “causes atherosclerosis” and hence increases “all cardiovascular events” such as heart attacks, as well as adverse cerebral events like stroke.¹⁹

Furthermore, the mandatory mouth mask in schools is a major threat to a child's development. It ignores the essential needs of a growing child. The well-being of children and young people is highly dependent on the emotional connection with others. Masks create a threatening and unsafe environment, where emotional connection becomes difficult.²⁰

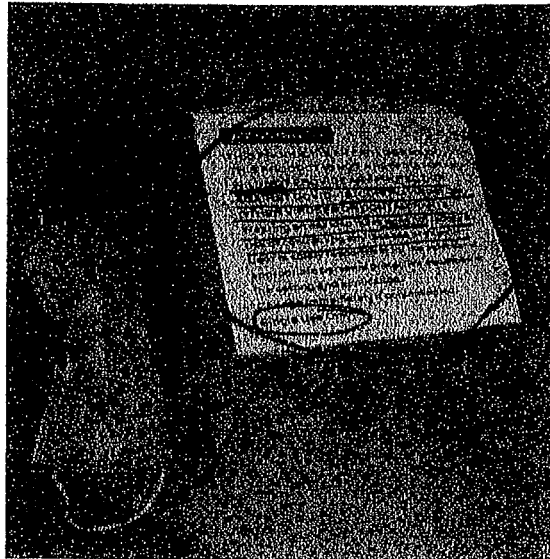
Informed consent is required for investigational medical therapies.

Regardless of the lack of safety and efficacy behind the decision to require a child to wear a mask, it is illegal to mandate EUA approved investigational medical therapies without informed consent. Mask use for viral transmission prevention is authorized for Emergency Use only.²¹ Emergency Use Authorization by the FDA, means “the products are investigational and experimental” only.²² The statute granting the FDA the power to authorize a medical product of emergency use requires that the person being administered the unapproved product be advised of his or her right to refuse administration of the product.²³ This statute further recognizes the well-settled doctrine that medical experiments, or “clinical research,” may not be performed on human subjects without the express, informed consent of the individual receiving treatment.²⁴

The right to avoid the imposition of human experimentation is fundamental, rooted in the Nuremberg Code of 1947, has been ratified by the 1964 Declaration of Helsinki, and further codified in the United States Code of Federal Regulations. In addition to the United States regarding itself as bound by these provisions, these principles were adopted by the FDA in its regulations requiring the informed consent of human subjects for medical research.²⁵ Arizona. The law is very clear; It is unlawful to conduct medical research (even in the case of emergency), unless steps taken to ... secure informed consent of all participants.²⁶

Furthermore, by requiring children to wear a mask, you are promoting the idea that the mask can prevent or treat a disease, which is an illegal deceptive practice. It is unlawful to advertise that a product or service can prevent...disease unless you possess competent and reliable scientific evidence... substantiating that the claims are true.²⁷

The FDA EUA for surgical and/or cloth masks explicitly states, “the labeling must not state or imply... that the [mask] is intended for antimicrobial or antiviral protection or related, or for use such as infection prevention or reduction.”²⁸ As you can see from the image below, masks do not claim to keep out viruses.



Illegally mandating an investigational medical therapy generates liability.

There are no efficacy standards on child-sized masks and respirators under OSHA, but there are proven microbial challenges as well as breathing difficulties that are created and exacerbated by masking children.

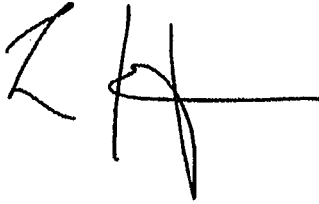
Requiring children to wear a mask sets the stage for contracting any infection, including COVID-19, and making the consequences of that infection much graver. In essence, a mask may very well put children at an increased risk of infection, and if so, having a far worse outcome.²⁹

The fact that mask wearing presents a severe risk of harm to the wearer should -- standing alone -- not be required for children, particularly given that these children are not ill and have done nothing wrong that would warrant an infringement of their constitutional rights and bodily autonomy. Promoting use of a non-FDA approved, Emergency Use Authorized mask, is unwarranted and illegal. This mandate is in direct conflict with Section 360bbb-3e(1)(A)(ii)(I-III), which requires the wearer to be informed of the option to refuse the wearing of such "device." Misrepresenting the use of a mask as being intended for antimicrobial or antiviral protection, and/or misrepresenting masks for use as infection prevention or reduction is a deceptive practice under the FTC. It is clear, there is no waiver of liability under deceptive practices, even under a state of emergency. As such, forcing children to wear masks, or similarly forcing use any other non-FDA approved medical product without the child's (or the child's parental) consent, is illegal and immoral.

This letter serves as official notice that [REDACTED] does not consent to being forced to wear a mask. [REDACTED] advocates will not fail to take the maximum action permissible under the law against your organization, and against you personally. Accordingly, I urge you to comply with Federal and State law, and advise children they have a right to refuse or wear a mask as a measure to prevent or reduce infection from COVID-19. Any other course of action is contrary to the law. I am willing to testify as to the veracity of the contents in this document. Please confirm no further pressure will be exerted upon [REDACTED] to follow this illegal mask mandate, and that [REDACTED] will not face any retaliatory disciplinary action.

Sincerely,

Laura Hinyup



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Arizona Department of Education
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Arizona Department of Education Parental Rights Handbook
Public Charter Schools
Last Updated: September 10, 2020

Background

In the 2020 Arizona Legislative Session, the Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 1061 (Laws 2020, Chapter 64) which the Governor signed on June 5, 2020. SB 1061 established ARS § 15-249.16 which requires the Arizona Department of Education (Department) to establish and post a statutory handbook of parental rights. Additionally, each school district and charter school must prominently post a link to the statutory handbook of parental rights on a publicly accessible portion of their website. Per A.R.S. § 15-249.16, the handbook of parental rights for parents and families of public charter schools must contain the following statutes:

- Title 1, Chapter 6
 - Section 1-601
 - Section 1-602
- Title 15, Chapter 1
 - Section 15-110
 - Section 15-113
 - Section 15-117

This document contains the required statutes per SB 1061 and fulfills the Department's role in developing and posting the parental rights handbook pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-249.16. In addition to posting on the Department's website, this document will be distributed to each public school for posting.

Statutory Language

A.R.S. § 1-601 – Parents' rights protected

A. The liberty of parents to direct the upbringing, education, health care and mental health of their children is a fundamental right.

B. This state, any political subdivision of this state or any other governmental entity shall not infringe on these rights without demonstrating that the compelling governmental interest as applied to the child involved is of the highest order, is narrowly tailored and is not otherwise served by a less restrictive means.

A.R.S. § 1-602 – Parents' bill of rights; definition

A. All parental rights are reserved to a parent of a minor child without obstruction or interference from this state, any political subdivision of this state, any other governmental entity or any other institution, including:

1. The right to direct the education of the minor child.
2. All rights of parents identified in title 15, including the right to access and review all records relating to the minor child.
3. The right to direct the upbringing of the minor child.
4. The right to direct the moral or religious training of the minor child.
5. The right to make health care decisions for the minor child, including rights pursuant to sections 15-873, 36-2271 and 36-2272, unless otherwise prohibited by law.
6. The right to access and review all medical records of the minor child unless otherwise prohibited by law or the parent is the subject of an investigation of a crime committed against the minor child and a law enforcement official requests that the information not be released.
7. The right to consent in writing before a biometric scan of the minor child is made pursuant to section 15-109.
8. The right to consent in writing before any record of the minor child's blood or deoxyribonucleic acid is created, stored or shared, except as required by section 36-694, or before any genetic testing is conducted on the minor child pursuant to section 12-2803 unless authorized pursuant to section 13-610 or a court order.
9. The right to consent in writing before the state or any of its political subdivisions makes a video or voice recording of the minor child, unless the video or voice recording is made during or as a part of a court proceeding, by law enforcement officers during or as part of a law enforcement investigation, during or as part of an interview in a criminal or child safety services investigation or to be used solely for any of the following:
 - (a) Safety demonstrations, including the maintenance of order and discipline in the common areas of a school or on pupil transportation vehicles.
 - (b) A purpose related to a legitimate academic or extracurricular activity.
 - (c) A purpose related to regular classroom instruction.
 - (d) Security or surveillance of buildings or grounds.
 - (e) A photo identification card.

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10. The right to be notified promptly if an employee of this state, any political subdivision of this state, any other governmental entity or any other institution suspects that a criminal offense has been committed against the minor child by someone other than a parent, unless the incident has first been reported to law enforcement and notification of the parent would impede a law enforcement or child safety services investigation. This paragraph does not create any new obligation for school districts and charter schools to report misconduct between students at school, such as fighting or aggressive play, that is routinely addressed as a student disciplinary matter by the school.

11. The right to obtain information about a child safety services investigation involving the parent pursuant to section 8-807.

B. This section does not authorize or allow a parent to engage in conduct that is unlawful or to abuse or neglect a child in violation of the laws of this state. This section does not prohibit courts, law enforcement officers or employees of a government agency responsible for child welfare from acting in their official capacity within the scope of their authority. This section does not prohibit a court from issuing an order that is otherwise permitted by law.

C. Any attempt to encourage or coerce a minor child to withhold information from the child's parent shall be grounds for discipline of an employee of this state, any political subdivision of this state or any other governmental entity, except for law enforcement personnel.

D. Unless those rights have been legally waived or legally terminated, parents have inalienable rights that are more comprehensive than those listed in this section. This chapter does not prescribe all rights of parents. Unless otherwise required by law, the rights of parents of minor children shall not be limited or denied.

E. For the purposes of this section, "parent" means the natural or adoptive parent or legal guardian of a minor child.

A.R.S. § 15-110 – Rights of students at public educational institutions; limitations; definition

A. A public educational institution shall not discriminate against students or parents on the basis of a religious viewpoint or religious expression.

B. If an assignment requires a student's viewpoint to be expressed in coursework, artwork or other written or oral assignments, a public educational institution shall not penalize or reward a student on the basis of religious content or a religious viewpoint. In such an assignment, a student's academic work that expresses a religious viewpoint shall be evaluated based on ordinary academic standards of substance and relevance to the course curriculum or requirements of the coursework or assignment.

C. Students in public educational institutions may pray or engage in religious activities or religious expression before, during and after the school day in the same manner and to the same extent that students may engage in nonreligious activities or expression.

D. Students in public educational institutions may wear clothing, accessories and jewelry that display religious messages or religious symbols in the same manner and to the same extent that other types of clothing, accessories and jewelry that display messages or symbols are permitted.

E. This section shall not be construed to authorize this state or any of its political subdivisions to do either of the following:

1. Require any person to participate in prayer or in any other religious activity.
2. Violate the constitutional rights of any person.

F. This section shall not be construed to limit the authority of any public educational institution to do any of the following:

1. Maintain order and discipline on the campus of the public educational institution in a content and viewpoint neutral manner.
2. Protect the safety of students, employees and visitors of the public educational institution.
3. Adopt and enforce policies and procedures regarding student speech at school provided that the policies and procedures do not violate the rights of students as guaranteed by the United States and Arizona constitutions and laws.
4. Adopt and enforce policies and procedures that prohibit students from wearing any type of clothing, accessories and jewelry that is worn with the intent to convey affiliation with a criminal street gang as defined in section 13-105.

G. A student or a student's parent shall not initiate legal action to enforce this section unless the student or the student's parent has done the following:

1. The student or the student's parent shall submit a complaint in writing with the specific facts of the alleged violation to the principal of the school. The principal shall investigate the complaint and respond in writing, including a description of any action taken to resolve the complaint, within fifteen days of receiving the written complaint.
2. If the action taken by the principal of the school does not resolve the complaint of the student or the student's parent, the student or the student's parent shall submit a complaint in writing with the specific facts of the alleged violation to the superintendent or designated administrator. The superintendent or designated administrator shall investigate the complaint and respond in writing, including a description of any action taken to resolve the complaint, within twenty-five days of receiving the written complaint.
3. If the action taken by the superintendent or designated administrator does not resolve the complaint of the student or the student's parent, the student or the student's parent may pursue legal action to enforce this section.

H. For the purposes of this section, "public educational institution" means any of the following:

1. A school district, including its schools.
2. A charter school.
3. An accommodation school.
4. The Arizona state schools for the deaf and the blind.

A.R.S. § 15-113 – Rights of parents; public educational institutions; definitions

A. A parent of a student in a public educational institution has the right to review learning materials and activities in advance. A parent who objects to any learning material or activity on the basis that the material or activity is harmful may request to withdraw that student from the activity or from the class or program in which the material is used and request an alternative assignment.

B. A charter school may require parents to waive the right to object to learning materials or activities pursuant to subsection A as a condition of enrollment if the charter school provides a complete list of books and materials to be used each school year before the student enrolls. If the charter school introduces books or materials that were not disclosed prior to enrollment, the parent retains the right to object to those materials pursuant to subsection A.

C. A charter school may require that any request to review learning materials or activities or to withdraw the student from learning materials or activities pursuant to subsection A be made in writing.

D. A public educational institution shall obtain signed, written consent from a student's parent or guardian before using video, audio or electronic materials that may be inappropriate for the age of the student.

E. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Objects to any learning material or activity on the basis that it is harmful" means objections to a material or activity because of sexual content, violent content, or profane or vulgar language.
2. "Public educational institution" means any of the following:
 - (a) A school district, including its schools.
 - (b) A charter school.
 - (c) An accommodation school.
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A.R.S. § 15-117 – Surveys; pupil information; parental permission and informed consent; exceptions; penalties; definitions

A. Notwithstanding any other law, each school district and charter school shall obtain written informed consent from the parent of a pupil before administering any survey that is retained by a school district, a charter school or the department of education for longer than one year and that solicits personal information about the pupil regarding any of the following:

1. Critical appraisals of another person with whom a pupil has a close relationship.
2. Gun or ammunition ownership.
3. Illegal, antisocial or self-incriminating behavior.
4. Income or other financial information.
5. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as relationships with a lawyer, physician or member of the clergy.
6. Medical history or medical information.
7. Mental health history or mental health information.
8. Political affiliations, opinions or beliefs.
9. Pupil biometric information.
10. The quality of home interpersonal relationships.
11. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs.
12. Self-sufficiency as it pertains to emergency, disaster and essential services interruption planning.
13. Sexual behavior or attitudes.
14. Voting history.

B. At the beginning of every school year, every school district and charter school shall obtain written informed consent from the parent of a pupil to participate in any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section for the entire year. A parent of a pupil may at any time revoke consent for the pupil to participate in any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section. For any pupil who is at least eighteen years of age, the permission or consent that would otherwise be required from the pupil's parent pursuant to this section is required only from the pupil. All surveys conducted pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be approved and authorized by the school district or charter school. The school district or charter school is subject to the penalties prescribed in subsection L of this section. A teacher or other school employee may not administer

any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section without written authorization from the school district or charter school.

C. This section applies to all surveys conducted pursuant to subsection A of this section:

1. Regardless of the stated purpose of the survey.
2. Regardless of the quantity or percentage of questions that solicit data pursuant to subsection A of this section.
3. Including written or digital surveys.

D. This section does not apply to:

1. Mental health screening pursuant to section 15-104 or the identification of or programming for children with disabilities or gifted pupils pursuant to chapter 7, articles 4 and 4.1 of this title.
2. Class instruction, discussion or assignments on subjects within the purview of the course.
3. Private schools.
4. Any nationally recognized college entrance exam that a student chooses to take regardless if the administration of the exam takes place on public school property.
5. Any survey conducted that contains questions soliciting information pursuant to subsection A of this section if the survey does not require a student's name or any other personally identifiable information.
6. Any survey conducted or implemented by the Arizona criminal justice commission.
7. Any method of surveying a student that is conducted because a person has a reasonable belief that a minor is or has been a victim of abuse pursuant to section 13-3620.

E. A penalty may not be imposed on a pupil or the parent of a pupil who does not participate in any survey conducted pursuant to subsection A of this section. Participation in any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section is not required:

1. To demonstrate that a pupil has met competency requirements for any grade level, course or subject.
2. For a pupil to qualify for placement into any grade level, course or subject.
3. For a pupil to be promoted to the next grade.

4. For a pupil to receive credit for any course or as part of a letter grade for any course.
5. For a pupil to graduate from high school.
6. For a pupil to obtain a high school equivalency diploma.

F. A school district or charter school shall provide an alternative educational activity for any pupil whose parent does not consent for that pupil to participate in a survey conducted pursuant to subsection A of this section.

G. Any pupil whose parent does not give written informed consent for that pupil to participate in any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section and who attends the alternative educational activity pursuant to this section shall be counted toward daily attendance and average daily membership for the school pursuant to section 15-901 and may not be counted absent from school.

H. Responses to any survey pursuant to subsection A of this section may not be included:

1. As part of a school academic performance indicator pursuant to section 15-241, or as part of any other similar school rating system.
2. In the education learning and accountability system pursuant to section 15-249, or in any other similar system.
3. In the student accountability information system pursuant to section 15-756.10 or 15-1041, or in any other similar system.

I. A penalty may not be imposed on and a reward may not be granted to a teacher, administrator, other school employee, school district, school or charter school based on the pupil participation rate in any survey conducted pursuant to subsection A of this section.

J. On request, a charter school or school district shall provide any available information in a timely manner to the parent of a pupil regarding a survey administered pursuant to subsection A of this section including:

1. The name of the survey.
2. The date or dates on which the survey will be administered.
3. The method or methods of administering the survey.
4. The amount of time required to administer the survey.
5. The type of information collected by the survey.
6. The reasons for administering the survey.

K. A parent of a pupil that has a reasonable belief that a school district or charter school has violated this section may file a complaint with the attorney general or the county attorney for the county in which an alleged violation of this section occurred. The attorney general or the county attorney for the county in which an alleged violation of this section occurred may initiate a suit in the superior court in the county in which the school district or charter school is located for the purpose of complying with this section. After receiving written notice of an alleged failure to comply with this section, a school district or charter school that determines that a violation has occurred is not subject to a penalty or cause of action under this section if the school district or charter school cures the violation. For the purposes of this subsection, "cure" means to destroy any information gathered in violation of this section and to provide written instruction to the individual circulating the survey, to be kept on file for one year after receipt of the written notice of the alleged failure to comply.

L. For each violation of this section, the court may impose a civil penalty not to exceed five hundred dollars. The school district or charter school determined to be out of compliance with this section shall be responsible for the payment of all penalties.

M. An attorney acting on behalf of a public school may request a legal opinion of the county attorney or attorney general as to whether the public school would violate this section.

N. All penalties collected by the court for a suit initiated in superior court by the attorney general shall be paid to the office of the attorney general for the use and reimbursement of costs of prosecution pursuant to this section. All penalties collected by the court for a suit initiated in superior court by a county attorney shall be paid to the county treasurer of the county in which the court is held for the use and reimbursement of costs of prosecution pursuant to this section.

O. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Parent" has the same meaning prescribed in section 15-101, except that parent does not mean this state if the pupil is a ward of the state.

2. "Survey" means:

(a) When used as a noun, an instrument that investigates the attitudes, behaviors, beliefs, experiences, opinions or thoughts of a pupil or group of pupils.

(b) When used as a verb, to use an instrument to investigate the attitudes, behaviors, beliefs, experiences, opinions or thoughts of a pupil or group of pupils.

Danielle Greene

From: Marc Waggoner <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:56 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: K12 Mask Mandate

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Dear Pima County,

I am a constituent and small business owner with step-children in Pima County schools. I am writing to urge you to please institute a mask mandate for students, faculty, and staff in K12 schools in the county. Students learn best when they are in school. It is extremely difficult for parents to get back to work with covid flaring up again. Please, in the interest of students and the local economy, require masks in K12 schools.

Sincerely,

Marc Waggoner

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Danielle Greene

From: Sarah Abbott <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:54 PM
To: COB_mail; [REDACTED]
Subject: Optional masks

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Good afternoon,

I saw TUSD is violating the state law and mandating masks. Please keep in mind we don't get to pick and choose which laws we follow. Set a good example to our students by following the state law and keeping masks optional. If the masks work, then people who want to mask can mask their kids and it should not impact my children.

There is a rise in cases and in children but they are not dying from this. Kids get sick a lot, especially when school starts and they haven't been around others as much as the past. It is normal and we will get through it. The studies I've seen on masking children show they do more harm than good. Let's keep health decisions up to the parents... and follow the law.

Thank you,
Sarah Abbott

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Danielle Greene

From: Lisa French <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:45 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Mask mandates

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It is our singular, most important job as parents to protect our children, this includes ALL of our children. Wearing a mask is the most benign health intervention that we should be doing, at the VERY MINIMUM! After 1 1/2 yrs of wearing one, I think we can finally agree that masks won't kill you. It's not detrimental to their health or education. It's crazy to think people have turned this into a debate, and ironic that those same people who complain about new mask restrictions are responsible for the new mask restrictions! Do what's right for the kids!

Sent from my iPhone

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Danielle Greene

From: Jillian Cantor <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:37 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Comment for Board of Supervisors on K-12 mask mandate

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing as a concerned parent of two children in public schools in Pima County as well as a 21-year resident and taxpayer in Pima County. By profession, I am not a doctor nor a scientist – I am a writer. But as many parents do, I have always relied on my pediatrician for guidance and advice when it comes to the health and safety of my children and our community. Right now, the pediatricians in our county are telling us what will keep our kids and our community safest is universal masking in K-12 schools. As well, the CDC, AZDHS, and Pima County health, all recommend universal masking in K-12 schools. In spite of this, the public schools in Pima County (aside from TUSD) have refused to act. As a parent, I am now being forced to ignore every expert's advice and send my children into a potentially dangerous environment as their schools begin this week. It is extremely distressing and upsetting that the adults who have the power to act to keep kids safe have thus far refused to do so.

I've been researching other school options to keep my children safe, and I've noticed many private schools in the county are currently following public health guidelines and are requiring masks and taking mitigation measures to keep their students safe. The inequity in this is appalling. The safety of our children and adherence to public health and pediatricians' guidelines should be in effect for ALL children and schools in Pima County, not just those children afforded the privilege of private schools.

Finally, we should be doing everything we can to mitigate the spread of the Delta variant in Pima County. Outbreaks in public schools due to lack of masking will ripple into the county as a whole, putting further strain on our hospitals, healthcare workers, and economy.

It is unconscionable that public schools are not following the advice of every medical expert and trying to do what they can to protect our kids and our community from the Delta variant. I implore you to put a K-12 mask mandate in place for Pima County schools.

Sincerely,

Jillian Cantor

Danielle Greene

From: Pcclea <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 12:25 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Masks

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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.

Respectfully
Charles S
Pima County voter

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