

Email to LVJUSD School District about Mask Mandates

To the school board of trustees,

I am writing to advocate for the masking of our children to be a Parental Choice. I admit that I may not be a parent myself, but I vouch with the parents being proactive in masks becoming a Parental Choice throughout school districts. It's actually been **Proven** time and time again that masks are a lot more harmful to children than they are beneficial. Speaking from my personal experience, masks can in fact make children sick especially those with disabilities. The mask mandate not only made me physically sick with an extremely bad sore throat, but it negatively impacted my mental health as well. Considering the fact that the masks can make adults sick and negatively impact their mental health, the exact same thing can happen to children as well if this continues. Honestly, this can happen to pretty much anyone, but more so those with disabilities where if a student say wears a mask for 1 month straight with very minimal to 0 breaks in between, then suddenly they start getting angrier and angrier throughout the school year for nearly no reason. Why do you think that is? Their anger can actually come from prolonged mask wearing. Let's not forget that children have a variety of emotions in general especially elementary-aged children, so prolonged mask wearing can in fact hinder their education especially those that need In-Person Instruction.

Here is an example of masks being more harmful to children than beneficial:

https://www.theepochtimes.com/university-of-florida-lab-finds-dangerous-pathogens-on-childrens-face-masks_3865300.html?utm_source=newsnoe&utm_medium=email2&utm_campaign=breaking-2021-06-19-1&est=NIQFTCafBCEgN2jUIQVrMGGQhOEPEXbu4gwpMCNiaBZ0V0Mz90TnS5n5INZvT2s%3D&fbclid=IwAR3WVD5EXkVYqUsGztPtYe7wN5aNvd3jFbgP0Fc_Pv3NtyQqJAdTX09Z4Xc. And these masks have in fact been Lab-tested including a Teacher's mask on top of the students. Here's the link to this:
https://townhall.com/tipsheet/scottmorefield/2021/06/15/a-group-of-parents-sent-their-kids-face-masks-to-a-lab-for-analysis-heres-what-they-found-n2591047?fbclid=IwAR2Dk1AtCnpSpLkXqCm67W_84W1plf35yqe1KOik3XIHUNxGOM-QmexStZ4.

Another thing is there is absolutely **no** need to separate the students who choose to wear a mask as opposed to those who don't. These children **NEED** Interaction with other students the most especially after being on Lock-down for nearly 1 year where everything turned into Distanced Learning. It's even been **proven** that mask wearing is not even beneficial for teachers as well. From my perspective, you guys are **Literally** trying to Parent other Parent's kids. I bet a chunk of you within this district are Parents Yourselfs so please think of it this way: "What if a Stranger came up to me and tried to Parent My OWN Child?" (e.g. a stranger sees you spank your child for discipline, they come up to you and say, "You're doing that wrong"). Honestly, if a stranger said that to

any of the parents within this district alone, more than half of you would in fact be dumbfounded by a stranger telling you how to parent and/or raise your child. Seriously, how would that make you feel? This is **Exactly** what you're doing with these mask mandates. It is **NOT** needed **NOR** necessary for children to wear them. This should in fact be a **PERSONAL, PARENTAL CHOICE**. No Parent will ever let a Stranger Parent THEIR Child, so **WHY** are you guys literally Telling Other Parents what they Can and Can't do for their children?

Sincerely,
Courtney