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In accordance with Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order No. 55 (released on July 31, 2020), Bartlett City Schools (BCS) has updated recommendations for face coverings by students and staff.

In part, Governor Lee's Executive Order No. 55 reads: *"Local education agencies, schools, and institutions of higher education are strongly encouraged to implement a policy requiring the use of face coverings by students and staff, with appropriate exemptions, and consistent with any policies issued by the Tennessee Department of Education."*

BCS will require a facial covering for all students and staff and will allow for age-appropriate mask breaks throughout the school day when social distancing can be maintained.

- All students (grades PreK-12) and staff are required to wear a facial covering except during designated break times such as lunch, recess, and additional classroom breaks. During these break times, six-feet of social distancing must be maintained.
- All students (grades PreK-12) attending school in-person will be provided four (4) cloth face masks (reusable, the mask can be lightly-washed).
- Teachers/staff will work within each classroom setting to ensure multiple age-appropriate breaks from wearing face coverings are offered. During these break times, six-feet of social distancing must be maintained.
- Younger students (elementary aged) or those students with intellectual or developmental disabilities may be unable to wear a face covering for an extended period of time. Wearing of facial covering may be prioritized at times when it is difficult to maintain six-feet of social distancing.
- Visitors in any BCS buildings, including Central Office, are required to wear a facial covering.