Dear Fennville Community,

On Wednesday, August 18th, 2021 the Allegan County Health Department, and other area health departments, issued an order requiring masks for students K-6. The K-6 range was chosen because the vaccine is available to those who are 12+.

Fennville Elementary School Response Update
At Fennville Elementary, we will reasonably comply with the Allegan County Health Department order as was the operating procedure last school year. We found this operating procedure to be effective when combined with all the other mitigation strategies including handwashing, ventilation, regularly cleaning and social distancing when possible.

Fennville Middle School Response Update
At Fennville Middle, we will reasonably comply with masks in grades 6 and will work to create a smooth transition, carrying over elementary school best practices along with important mitigation strategies including handwashing, ventilation, regularly cleaning and social distancing when possible.

Additionally, we will reasonably comply with masks grades 7 & 8 in common areas including hallways, cafeteria, and restrooms. Masks will remain recommended in classrooms for students in grades 7 & 8 per our district plan released 8/17/2021.

Fennville High School Response Update
At Fennville High, with students being eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, and not being in close proximity with students who are not eligible, we will not be requiring staff or students to wear masks. Masks will remain recommended per our district plan released 8/17/2021.

Athletic Event Update
The order from the Allegan County Health Department only applies to the school day.

Transportation
We will continue to follow our district plan released 8/17/2021.

Daily Health Screening
Keeping sick students home is our most powerful strategy to keep COVID-19 out of our school. We need all parents to screen their child for symptoms each day before going to school. Symptomatic students must be kept home.

Thank you to our Fennville Community for your ongoing support of our school staff and students as we navigate these changes. We appreciate your understanding as we seek to make the best choices for our students within the requirements.

If you have specific questions about the ACHD order issued August 18, 2021, you can contact ACHD at 269-673-5411 or healthed@allegancounty.org. If you have questions about Fennville’s response, please contact your child’s building principal.