

AOB Announcements February 13, 2022 Update

Good evening AOB Crusader families,

I wanted to provide the most recent COVID regulations from Alberta Education and ECSD. As changes to these are made, these will be communicated to you.

1. **Please respect all perspectives:** We are not allowed to supersede government guidance and regulations. AOB staff will not be giving guidance or suggesting to students that they should or should not be wearing masks. Regardless of whether a student chooses to wear a mask or not, it is our expectation that respect be shown to others in our community.
2. **Staff masking:** AOB staff are required to wear masks at school, except when they are alone in a room or eating, until March 1, 2022.
3. **AOB visitors:** Visitors to AOB are no longer required to provide proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test result.
4. **The following COVID procedures remain in place:**
 - Enhanced cleaning and sanitizing
 - Isolation guidelines remain a Public Health Order. Unvaccinated students/staff may not attend school for 10 days and fully vaccinated students/staff may not attend school for 5 days or until symptoms disappear, whichever is longer. If your child will be away from school for any reason, please call the school at 780-466-3161 to excuse your child.
 - Close contacts: There is no mandatory isolation requirement to not attend school if a close contact tests positive.
 - No overnight field trips.
5. **Performance Activities:** Band concerts and plays may occur without restrictions.
6. **Gathering Limits:**
 - No limits up to 500 people.
 - 500-1000 people has a gathering limit of 500.
 - Venue capacity over 1000 has a capacity limit of 500.

Current Guidance for Athletic Events:

Masking:

- All adults within schools and sites must be masked, regardless of role or purpose for being on site. This includes referees if they are not actively engaged in their duty.

- All students within schools and sites (even if they are 18+) are not required to wear masks, but may wear one if they choose.

Spectators:

- Are allowed in school venues starting Monday, February 14, 2022. **Parents and family members are allowed to watch their child play after school athletic games.**
- Are not required to show proof of vaccination.
- If over 18, and not an ECSD student, must remain masked at all times.
- Social distancing is not mandated but encouraged.
- Limit capacity at AOB is 500 people.

- **City/Other Facilities:**

- At this time, if any of our students are accessing any City of Edmonton facility, they will be asked to wear a mask when not taking part in the physical activity. This may change after the city council meeting to be held shortly.
- Please adhere to any specific off-site guidelines that may be in place at the respective facility.

Tournament Updates and Athletic events in our schools:

- All sanitization and cleaning protocols remain in place.
 - Concessions/coach's room are not permitted
 - Spectators allowed for tournaments adhering to the AOB 500-person capacity limit.
 - Student volunteers are not required to wear masks but may choose to.
 - ECSD schools may play teams from outside of METRO
- Overnight trips still not allowed at this time.