

**Millersburg Area School District and Upper Dauphin Area School District Sports Cooperative**  
**Joint Statement on Extracurricular Activities**  
**May 21, 2021**

The Millersburg Area and Upper Dauphin Area School Districts continue to monitor the evolving COVID-19 Pandemic including changes to orders by the Pennsylvania Department of Health and changes to guidelines by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Likewise, the districts continue to evaluate local community spread data. Based on all available information, the districts are modifying previously issued rules related to extracurricular activities. It should be noted that there is still substantial community spread in the northern Dauphin County region and the districts reserve the right to impose stricter guidelines if it becomes clear that the changes are having a negative impact on the school environment or community as a whole. That said, the incident rate and percent positive continue to move in a favorable direction. This combined with the changes in orders by the Pennsylvania Department of Health allow us to make the following reasonable changes.

Effective June 1, 2021 and continuing through July 31, 2021, the Extracurricular Health and Safety Plans are modified as follows:

- Face coverings by adults including coaches and spectators are still required to be worn inside and outside while on school property.
- Face coverings by students, including participants, are still required to be worn inside and outside while on school property with the following exceptions:
  - Students participating in outdoor sports may remove their face coverings when they are actively engaged in a contest or practice drill.
    - Students not actively engaged in a contest or practice drill must wear face coverings.
    - Actively engaged in a contest or practice drill means physically participating in the actual event (i.e. running, throwing, jumping, fielding, hitting, and pitching).
- Spectators are allowed at extracurricular events over the summer and coaches are responsible for enforcing face covering rules.
- Participation in extracurricular activities including strength and conditioning activities is allowed without restriction on the number of student-athletes and without social distancing.
- The use of COVID-19 health screenings prior to participation are no longer required.
- Participants may use ice machines, but should NEVER put their hand or personal bottle into the machine. Use the scoops that are provided.
- The use of individual water bottles should be continued throughout the summer months. Shared water coolers should not be used at this time.
- Use of facilities will be considered and such requests should be submitted using established processes.
- Concessions may be sold, but are limited to prepackaged items. No prepared items may be sold at this time.

Please note that the following restrictions are still in place:

- If positive cases on a team or opponent team occur, the administrative teams will work with the PA Department of Health to determine the recommended course of action regarding quarantines and suspension of activities.
- Any coach or student found to be consistently not following face covering orders may face sanctions up to and including dismissal from the program.