

MEMORANDUM

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To: All Staff, Code 2A

From: Kathy Gallagher

Subject: Face Covering to Reduce Spread of COVID-19

At EHSD, we are now requiring that all staff members use face coverings while in our buildings. It is very important that as essential workers, we do our utmost to keep our selves and each other well.

Face Covering Recommendation

Health officials from several Bay Area counties, including Contra Costa, recommend covering your nose and mouth with cloth when away from home. The <u>guidance</u> notes that bandanas, fabric masks and neck gaiters are acceptable for use in a community setting. Face coverings are not intended as a substitute for social or physical distancing. Rather, they are an additional public health measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19. <u>Learn more about the use of cloth</u> <u>face coverings, including how to make your own.</u>

N95 Masks

Surgical masks and N95 respirators are in short supply and must be reserved for healthcare workers or other medical care first



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responders. This aligns with guidance from the CDC and California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

Because many of EHSD's essential services require face-to-face interactions, **the department is providing N95 masks to our public-facing staff.** We are giving priority to Children & Family Services (CFS) and Adult Protective Services (APS) workers for home visits; to Workforce Services staff members who are interacting with customers at our lobbies (where we currently have restricted access); and to volunteers who will help staff one of the County's Alternate Care Sites.

Remember to wash your hands before AND after touching your face or a face covering. Contra Costa Health Services notes that the goal is not to protect the wearer, but to reduce the spread of germs from the wearer to others. If we all wear face coverings, we all are better protected.

If you need a mask while in the office, check with your building's clerical supervisor (see below list) who can provide face coverings based on availability per the above needs.

Clerical Supervisor	Building
Theresa Bradshaw " Sabrina Young Maria Velez Lea Miller Maureen Nelson Adriana Arceo James Gibson Kathy Ames Candace Yates Dave Eisenlohr Lisa Collado	4545 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch 151 Sand Creek Road, Brentwood 4549 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch 1650 Cavallo Road, Antioch 2600 Stanwell, Concord 4071 Port Chicago Highway, Concord 1470 Civic Drive, Concord 151 Linus Pauling Drive, Hercules 40 Douglas Drive, Martinez 1875 & 2530 Arnold Drive, Martinez 300 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill 400 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill
Debbie Penovich Fred Routt	500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill 1305 MacDonald Ave., Richmond
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If you have any questions, please contact your supervisor or manager.