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Dear Ken-Ton Community,

The Governor made an announcement this afternoon providing clarity regarding the requirement to wear masks in schools. It appears that the mandate to wear masks outdoors is lifted and all other requirements for wearing masks will remain in place (including wearing masks indoors except during mask breaks and when eating) until further notice.

Therefore, **effective immediately, masks will no longer be required for students and staff while outside of their respective buildings** (i.e., recess, physical education outdoors, athletic contests). The decision to wear a mask outdoors will be a personal and individual choice. This also applies to others such as family members picking up and dropping off their children during arrival/dismissal while outside. **Please note: Families must continue to send their children to school with a mask each day and students must continue to wear masks on school transportation.** We encourage parents to have this conversation with their children this evening.

If you wish to review the information released by the Governor, you can find it here:
<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-school-districts-can-allow-students-remove-masks-outdoors>

This is the only change to our current reopening plan. All current social distancing requirements will remain in effect. Additionally, please continue to complete the daily attestation prior to sending students to school.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Sincerely,

Sabatino Cimato
Superintendent of Schools

The Ken-Ton school community will provide our students with the supports, tools and diverse opportunities needed to meet the challenges of an ever changing world.