



Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative

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Dear KASEC Parents/Guardians and Staff,

As you may know, Illinois Governor, J. B. Pritzker held a COVID-19 press conference yesterday morning where he issued new rules regarding indoor masking, educational employee vaccination and testing requirements.

The indoor masking order, statewide, begins Monday, August 30, and the requirement for educational employees to begin their COVID-19 vaccine regimen is September 5. All educational employees must get a COVID-19 vaccination or submit to weekly testing (or more frequently if ordered by Illinois State Board of Education, Illinois Department of Public Health or the Kankakee County Health Department).

Although full details regarding the verification of vaccination status and coordination of weekly testing are not defined at this time, KASEC will comply with the Governor's Executive Orders. We will communicate internally with our staff on the specifics of these processes as soon as they are determined.

Our consistent and continuous aim is safety, learning, and communication. We are proud to be open, fully in-person. Thank you for your support and understanding, and thank you for allowing us to lead and serve the educational needs for each child, every day!

Sincerely,

Debra Quain
Executive Director