



*All GSD students will graduate with a positive Deaf identity  
as bilinguals in American Sign Language and English,  
and will be prepared to make successful life choices.*

Leslie D. Jackson, Superintendent  
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Jamie Herston, Special Ed Director

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Parents, Guardians, Families, and Students:

Beginning next week (Sunday, 13 February), masks/face coverings will be **optional** at GSD. Students and staff can wear masks or can choose to not wear a mask. This applies to school and the dorm. This is the revised policy for the State Schools Division.

Please note that **federal law requires masks to be used on all school buses**. Parents are responsible for providing their child with masks to wear on buses to and from GSD and while on GSD campus. This means that **all students** should **continue bringing masks to school** with them each week.

If you want your child to continue wearing a mask at school/in the dorm and want GSD staff to enforce that your child wears a mask, we will do our part to make sure your child wears a mask. Please be sure to send enough masks to school with your child.

If you want GSD staff to ensure your child wears a mask, please contact Marie Dickinson at 706.331.6314, via the Talking Points app, or [mdickinson@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:mdickinson@doe.k12.ga.us).

Thank you,

Leslie D. Jackson  
Superintendent