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Dear RSU 9 Community,

On Tuesday, Governor Mills followed the lead of the U.S. CDC and announced a change in recommendations pertaining to face coverings in outdoor public settings. Here is the [full update](#).

Following this announcement, the Maine Principals' Association issued new recommended guidelines for the spring athletic season. These changes expand the settings and circumstances for which masks and face coverings at practices and competitions are not required. **At this time, RSU 9 has not yet made final determinations regarding the implementation of these new guidelines, but we plan to do so in the near future. Until that time, our current expectations for student-athletes, coaches and spectators remain in place.**

We understand that there will be a Priority Notice from the Maine DOE tomorrow regarding adjustments to most or all of the [Six Requirements for Returning to School](#), one of these being the mask/face covering requirement. We are planning to assess the document in its entirety as we consider adjustments to our protocols. You will receive an update once we have made determinations regarding the impact on our academic and athletic offerings.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to evaluate information and make adjustments to our protocols. Please stay tuned for updated information in the near future.

Sincerely,

Monique Poulin
Interim Superintendent