

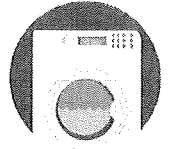
MASK AND FACE SHIELD CLEANING/PREPARATIONS FOR SCHOOL

To help protect our students, faculty and staff we ask that you clean and disinfect your student's face mask/shield nightly. Face masks and shields should not be shared unless washed, sanitized and dried first. Face masks should be laundered daily and when soiled. Depending on the fabric, most face masks can be machine washed using a mild detergent and dried completely in a dryer. It is recommended that you store masks in a clean bag or container when not in use until school the next day. Thank you for doing your part to assist in keeping everyone safe & healthy.

MASK CLEANING & DISINFECTION:

IN WASHING MACHINE:

- You can include your mask with your regular laundry.
- Use regular laundry detergent and the warmest appropriate water setting for the cloth used to make the mask.



WASHING BY HAND:

- Check the label to see if your bleach is intended for disinfection. Some bleach products, such as those designed for safe use on colored clothing, may not be suitable for disinfection.
 - Use bleach containing 5.25%–8.25% sodium hypochlorite. Do not use a bleach product if the percentage is not in this range or is not specified.
 - Ensure the bleach product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Prepare a bleach solution by mixing:
 - 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) of 5.25%–8.25% bleach per gallon of room temperature water or
 - 4 teaspoons of 5.25%–8.25% bleach per quart of room temperature water
- Soak the mask in the bleach solution for 5 minutes.
- Discard the bleach solution down the drain and rinse the mask thoroughly with cool or room temperature water.



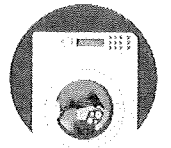
USING BLEACH SAFELY:

- Always read and follow the directions on the label to ensure safe and effective use.
- Be aware that bleach can damage cloth fabric over time.
- Wear skin protection and consider eye protection for potential splash hazards
- Use water at room temperature for dilution (unless stated otherwise on the label).
- Store and use bleach out of the reach of children and pets.
- Special considerations should be made for people with asthma and they should not be present when cleaning and disinfecting is happening as this can trigger asthma exacerbations.

HOW TO DRY:

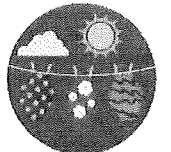
DRYER

- Use the highest heat setting and leave in the dryer until completely dry.

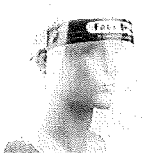


AIR DRY

- Lay flat and allow to completely dry. If possible, place the mask in direct sunlight.



FACE SHIELD CLEANING & DISINFECTION



- Put on clean gloves (if available) – obtain disinfectant wipe
- Disinfect front (student-facing) side of shield with EPA-approved disinfectant, non-bleach wipe. Allow for appropriate dwell time.
 - Turn shield over, wipe inside of shield and other areas, e.g. strap or ear loops with disinfect wipe, avoid foam area. Allow for appropriate dwell time.
- If shield is streaked or has a cloudy film, clean mask with soft, damp (with water) cloth or use an alcohol pad.
- Allow to air dry.
- If face shield appears damaged or torn – discard and obtain a replacement