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Dear Parents,

The purpose of this memo is to review and perhaps clarify the application of the government's COVID-19 health and safety measures at McCaig Elementary and, more specifically, those regarding the wearing of masks at school. I have received some questions from parents concerning this matter and as such am sending out this memo to all parents in an effort to ensure there are no misunderstandings.

I would like to remind all parents that they must wear a mask while on school property. This message has been sent to parents several times already but we still have a few parents who come onto school property without a mask on, thereby, placing others at risk unnecessarily. The Ministry of Education and Santé Publique require that parents and visitors wear a procedural mask at school at all times.

Please note that the office will not serve parents who arrive at school and are not wearing/refuse to wear a mask. While this is a temporary measure, we are obliged to ensure all Public Health and government measures, including directives issued by the Ministry of Education, are followed.

We need to promote and protect the health and safety of all our students, parents and staff. The ministerial decree that highlights the obligation to wear a mask at school also applies to all grade 1-6 students, unless they are exempted because of a medical condition. Students in grades 1-6 must wear a mask in class, in the corridors, in common areas and on the bus. These guidelines do not apply to preschool students.

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Your child is receiving a minimum of two masks per day. Please note that if your child forgets, loses or for whatever reason needs a new mask during the day, we will happily provide them with a student procedural mask. The procedural masks used by the school have been approved by Health Canada and Santé Publique.

As always, if a student begins to feel unwell at school, the teacher will send your child to the office. The school secretary will assess your child's state of health and take the actions required by the Ministry Protocol. Parents are required to pick up their child immediately, if called by the school. Parents should have a back-up plan for student pick-up.

For the vast majority of you who are wearing masks, I would like to say **"thank you"** for working with your school during these difficult times and for modelling what is required to the children.

Once again, thank you for working with your school during these difficult times.

Richard Mason  
Principal  
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