



# Facial Covering Guidelines

- **Downey Cooperative Preschool & Kindergarten will take into account the most recent local health orders when recommending guidelines for facial coverings.**
- Facial coverings include: cloth masks, disposable "non-medical" masks, plastic face shields, etc.
- Public Health Order 23-2020 Pursuant to Indiana Code § 16-20-1-24 and Chapter 7, Article 5 of the Code of the Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County states students below grade 3 are NOT required to wear a facial covering. Therefore, ***no student at Downey Cooperative Preschool & Kindergarten will be required to wear a mask during normal indoor or outdoor school activities.***
- If a family opts to have their child to wear a facial covering during classes, teachers and participating parents will do their best to ensure the child remains masked, but Downey *cannot* make any guarantees in that regard.
- Public Health Order 21-2020 Pursuant to Indiana Code § 16-20-1-24 and Chapter 7, Article 5 of the Code of the Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County states that unless an exemption applies, individuals must wear a facial covering when ***outdoors*** in a situation where adequate social distancing of at least 6 feet isn't possible. ***Teachers and participating parents will be responsible for appropriately using facial coverings for themselves when they are unable to distance at least 6 feet.***
- Public Health Order 21-2020 Pursuant to Indiana Code § 16-20-1-24 and Chapter 7, Article 5 of the Code of the Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County states individuals older than 2 years of age must wear a facial covering over their nose and mouth when in an *indoor place other than their home*. ***In addition to the above mentioned policies, facial coverings will be required for all adults in an indoor classroom setting and adults and students using indoor restrooms at public or private facilities, other than Downey's student restrooms.***