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Mask Mandate Lifted Effective March 2, 2022

Governor Hochul announced at a news conference today that she is lifting the NYS mask mandate for schools, beginning Wednesday March 2, 2022. The Governor said her decision was based on the new Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance that connects community spread and hospitalizations.

Although individual counties can still impose a mask mandate, the Broome County Health Department and County Executive Jason Garner have informed districts that they are in support of lifting the mandate.

In addition, on Friday afternoon, the CDC issued revised guidance which clarifies that the TSA mask mandate for public transportation no longer applies to public schools. Therefore, effective this Wednesday, masks will be optional in all Binghamton City School District buildings and buses.

Thank you to our students and staff for their diligence and patience as we continue to follow the guidelines and requirements of New York State and our local health department. We will continue to support those who choose to wear masks, along with the other mitigating measures such as testing and social distancing until advised otherwise by the state and local health departments.

Educating, empowering and challenging all students to become productive, global citizens through innovative approaches to learning.