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Mask Requirements at Green Bay Area Schools

GREEN BAY, Wisc. – Last night, the Green Bay Area School Board held a special meeting to discuss and vote on their mask policy for the 2021-22 school year. In a 5-2 vote, masks will be required for students 3k-6th grade. Representative John Macco (R-Ledgeview) released the following statement.

“While I applaud the board for expanding optional masking to middle school students, last night’s decision to continue requiring masks for younger students will continue to negatively affect their learning in formative years of their education. This age group is at the least risk from COVID-19 and any further disruption in their education is unnecessary. We need to allow our fantastic teachers to do their jobs with no barriers.”

“This decision is not consistent with other school districts in the area. The Green Bay Area Public School District has lost thousands of students this past year. Decisions like this will only exacerbate the loss of students to home schooling and open enrollment.”

“Although the decision did not go far enough, I applaud School Board President Eric Vanden Huevel’s preparation, honesty, and leadership in moving this forward. With no motions offered by the rest of the board and some unaware a vote was to be taken, Mr. Vanden Huevel came prepared with multiple motions to try and find a solution for our students and their families. The board took a small step today in putting student education first, but there is still work to do in making education accessible for everyone.”

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