

Loyalsock Township School District
Update Regarding K-12 Student Mask/Medical Limitation/Exemption
September 7, 2021

There have been several questions regarding the Loyalsock Township School District K-12 Student Mask Medical Limitation/Exemption form. We have clarified our position on these questions.

1. The exemption form is still valid and this is the form that we use for parents who want their students exempt from wearing a face covering.
2. The form must be signed by a licensed healthcare provider. The form must be returned to the school district office (signed by a licensed healthcare provider) within 7 days of turning in the form.
3. Acceptable licensed healthcare providers include a physician, physician assistant or advanced registered nurse practitioner or a psychologist licensed by a board and responsible for treating the student.
4. There is a form circulating across the state from Heritage Family Health. Several of our parents have filled out this form. This form will not be honored for mask exemption. If your child has been treated by this provider, please sign a consent for release of information or have the provider sign the Loyalsock Township School District exemption form.
5. Students who have a valid mask exemption form will not be required to wear a mask.
6. In the event a child arrives at school without a mask and does not have an exemption, a mask will be provided for them. If the child refuses to wear a mask, the parent/guardian will be called to come to the school to pick up their child from the respective school. In the event a parent or guardian

refuses to pick up their child, the student will be moved to an area where they can be socially distanced.

7. Students who turn in a valid form will be contacted by the Loyalsock Township School District. At this time, we are accepting the signature of a licensed healthcare provider in lieu of initiating a Section 504 plan.