

Good evening board members,

I truly appreciate you listening to community concerns as we move through this pandemic. We are all doing the best we can, and hoping to do what's right for our kids.

Some new concerns have come to light today, however. First, Fremont County health orders say that when indoors, people need to be distanced 6 feet and wear masks. Masks are not optional by this order. With allowing schools to make masks optional when plexiglass is in place this not only violates Fremont County orders, but also ignores the CDC recommendation that plexiglass be used in conjunction with masks but not in place of.

Second, our district's reopening plan includes proper ventilation in each classroom to prevent air circulating between rooms, but that is not in place yet, nor do all buildings have the plexiglass dividers in their possession yet.

Third, the age group in Fremont County with the highest covid cases is the <19 age group, which would include all school age kids. Furthermore, a nationwide look at covid-19 numbers puts Wyoming firmly at #1 with the highest percentage of covid-19 cases attributed to this same age demographic.

This shows that we have clear reason to be concerned for student safety. I still firmly believe we are not prepared to open in Tier 1, however if this board feels that is the appropriate plan, I ask that you please make masks fully mandated at all times, except during meals and any time the CDC has said they're not advised.

I've included some more data to support this information. This includes the data about nationwide child covid cases, Wyoming Department of Health dashboard, where you can see Fremont County's demographics, and two images, one shared today from the Fremont County Public Health office and the other a graphic from the Medscape article for easy viewing.

Thank you,
Sarah Reilley

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<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novel-coronavirus/covid-19-state-and-county-dashboards/>