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Dear families and staff,

Effective Monday, April 18, 2022, Clarke School for Hearing and Speech will be requiring masks to be always worn while inside the building. This direction comes from Philadelphia County on April 11, 2022, which states "Starting April 18, Philadelphia will require people to again wear masks in public places after health officials reported a rise in COVID-19 cases." Masks must be worn in schools, childcare settings, restaurants, and government buildings. It is unclear at this time when the mandate will be lifted.

Please make sure you continue to follow the Covid-19 procedures document that is on Clarke's website and was sent home to families a few weeks ago. Again, the only change in that document will be that masks are again always mandated indoors by both staff and students. Families need to send their child to school each day with a well-fitted mask. Families and staff are reminded to stay home when having any symptoms of Covid-19 or any symptoms of sickness and contact your doctor if needed.

If you have any questions at all please reach out to me directly and I will be happy to answer them the best I can, please email me at <u>kflaherty@clarkeschools.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Kerry Flaherty

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