

August 23,2021

Dear Lisa Stefanovsky, Adam London and Angelique Joynes:

We, the undersigned healthcare providers, wish to publicly endorse the following order:

"Allegan County Health Department, Kent County Health Department and Ottawa County Department of Public Health Issue Public Health Orders Requiring Mask Use in Pre-K -6 Educational Settings."

We stand with the Health Officers who issued this order and are committed that this is the right thing to do. To not issue this reasonable and minimal order would be negligent given our access to public health data surrounding the Delta variant of COVID-19. It is our responsibility to protect the physical, emotional and mental health of our children, staff, teachers and community, to the extent that we can, while keeping kids in school and learning.

Respectfully,

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