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Dear Daleville Parents,

Over the last few weeks, I have reflected on the events of this school year. Our students and staff have done an outstanding job this year in spite of the many hurdles we have cleared due to the pandemic. Students and staff have risen to the occasion to do their part to keep everyone safe and pull together to get things done as we carry on school in an abnormal world. While we have some problems still to overcome regarding academic shortfalls, even in the face of the Covid-19 virus we have experienced success because of the great efforts of our Daleville community.

As you know Governor Ivey has lifted the mandate for wearing masks in her Safer Apart Order. However, the American Academy of Pediatrics strongly urges "All Alabama school districts to keep a requirement to wear masks through the end of the school year, despite the end of the state mask mandate on April 9." In addition, Dr. Mackey, our state superintendent reminds us, "The quarantine guidelines have not changed - if a person is within six feet of an infected person for more than 15 minutes, cumulative in a 24-hour period (masks or no mask), then contact tracing applies and the exposed person must quarantine."

We have considered these recommendations when making a decision for our schools. Our greatest goal now is to finish strong. In an effort to keep our students and staff protected, the Daleville City Schools will continue to require all adults and all students over the age of eight in our schools to wear masks indoors until further notice. Masks are not required for outdoor activities.

Wearing masks has been our norm for months and we only have 35 school days left. Our entire system only had 71 cases this school year, adults and students combined, which is a testament to consistently implementing safe and sanitary prevention strategies to mitigate the virus. We are planning normal activities for our students during May so we want everyone to stay healthy.

I appreciate the continued support of our wonderful parents as we finish the 2020-2021 school year.

In Service Together,

Lisa Stamps, DCS Superintendent

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