UPDATE: January 24, 2022

Please note the following communication from Superintendent Patrick D. McCabe:

Dear Akron Students and Families:

The District is aware of a January 24th decision from a court on Long Island regarding the New York State Department of Health's authority to require the wearing of masks in schools.

Later this evening, the District also received communication from the NYSED directing that "schools must continue to follow the mask rule".

Given these conflicting directives, the District has asked its legal counsel to analyze whether the decision from Long Island applies statewide, if the decision impacts Erie County's current mask requirement, and finally, the impact any appeal of the Long Island court decision by the State may have on the State or County mask requirement.

Once the District receives this legal analysis, it will advise the District community. In the interim, we ask all students, staff, and visitors to continue to wear masks until further clarification is available.

An update to the community will be provided as quickly as possible.

Thank you.