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Dear ETSD Families,

Highlights: Masks Required in All NJ Schools; One-of-a-kind Township event this Friday at 8 pm!; Community survey about accessibility in our town; Friendly reminder, Evesham Township Backpack/School Supplies Drive; Community Activities; Friendly reminder, Vaccination Opportunities.

As a preface to the mask requirement info below, above and beyond masks as a topic, collectively schools are in a better place this August than they were a year ago, despite any disappointment that the end of the tunnel is further away than it may have looked to be a couple months ago.

Everyone's perspectives continue to be valuable and considered. The mask requirement may not be needed all year. Especially with emerging variants, masking does bring certain benefits, such as increasing safety. Our outlooks, as we know, influence our children, and impact how they experience reality. Thus, focusing on positives remains important. For example, our schools' extracurricular activities and sports are returning this year.

Masks Required in All NJ Schools

Per the Governor's Executive Order last Friday, everyone (students, staff, visitors) is required to wear masks in NJ school buildings at all times, effective August 9. Thus, our district's approach to masks for the start of 2021-22 remains the same as in 2020-21. No changes are needed to our [ETSD Safe Return Plan](#), as our plan already requires masks. The indoor mask requirement also applies after school and weekends and to use of our facilities by outside groups. For more information, please see:

https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/reopening-guidance-and-restrictions/are-schools-open-what-are-the-safety-requirements?utm_campaign=20210807_nwsltr&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery



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One-of-a-kind Township event this Friday at 8 pm!

Come see the tennis courts at Evesham's Memorial Sports Complex transformed with blacklights, fluorescent graphics, and upbeat music to create a nightclub atmosphere. Don't miss out on this chance to "Light The Night" with the 2021 XGLO Tennis Alliance Tour. Prevention Plus of Burlington County, Inc. and the Burlington County Coalition for Healthy Communities have partnered with XGLOsive LLC Tennis and the Evesham Municipal Alliance to provide a FREE, fun, and sober event for our community members ages 12 and up! XGLOsive turns traditional tennis into a fun, no-pressure social experience for people of all ages (12+) and abilities.

See a video example at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_1UpLIE45A

Sign up for the event and see more info at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4dacaf2aa7fec61-light>

Community survey about accessibility in our town

Please consider taking a few minutes to complete this community survey below. Our Township was *one of only 2 municipalities in our state* to receive a NJ Dept. of Health grant to create initiatives to make the community more inclusive for those with disabilities. As a requirement for the grant, the Council on Quality and Leadership is doing research about accessibility and how people with disabilities are included in the community in Evesham Township.

People with disabilities and family members of people with disabilities:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Evesham-PWDFamily>

Everyone else: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Evesham-NondisabledCommunity>

Friendly reminder, Evesham Township Backpack/School Supplies Drive

[Evesham Backpack & School Supplies Collection Drive](#), now through August 20! The linked flyer shares more info. Thank you for all your contributions!

Community Activities

New postings on our [Community Activities](#) webpage include ice hockey and volleyball opportunities!



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Friendly reminder, Vaccination Opportunities

County Health Dept. is continuing its walk-in clinics:

- Mondays, from 2 PM to 6 PM, at the Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center, 53 Academy Drive, Westampton (drive-thru clinic);
- Tuesdays, from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Palmyra Community Center, 30 West Broad, Palmyra;
- Wednesdays from noon to 4 PM at the Weimann Building, 400 Delanco Road, Edgewater Park;
- Thursdays from 3 PM to 7 PM at the Bordentown Township Senior Center, 3 Municipal Drive, Bordentown.

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith
Superintendent of Schools