



MASSACHUSETTS INTERSCHOLASTIC  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



**To:** MIAA Member Schools  
**From:** Bob Baldwin, MIAA Executive Director  
**Re:** Indoor Mask Wearing Mandate  
**Date:** August 26, 2021

The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) provides the following direction in accordance with the recent action taken by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), and set forth by the Commissioner of Education yesterday.

**In order to safely maximize full participation of fall sports:**

- Masks shall be required for any activity for student-athletes and coaches who are indoors
- Masks are not required and will remain optional for any activity for student-athletes and coaches outdoors

These are minimum required safety standards that are consistent with the practice of indoor and outdoor recess and indoor and outdoor physical education classes during the school day. These standards will be reviewed prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>. You may view Commissioner Riley's statement [HERE](#).

Wishing all member schools a smooth start to the school year and a memorable fall sports season!

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