

Dear Gull Lake Community Schools Families and Staff,

The Kalamazoo Health and Community Services Department announced that the emergency health order requiring indoor masking for grades K-6 will expire on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM. This decision is based on the fact that students in this age bracket will have the opportunity in consultation with their family and physician to acquire full vaccination status.

Gull Lake Community Schools will be practicing a *masks optional* policy for all buildings and grade levels once the health order is lifted on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The District will continue to monitor health indicators and track vital statistics moving forward so that families can be informed on local trends. The District will also continue to maintain health rooms at each building where symptomatic students will be monitored until they are picked up by a parent or guardian in keeping with our District Policy 3404.

We encourage you to make your plans and decisions in light of this new information.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kighael Rittenhows

Best regards,

Raphael Rittenhouse/Superintendent Gull Lake Community Schools



## **Updates**

**GLHS Performing Arts Company (PAC)** will have their first performance of the 2021-2022 school year on November  $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ . Please see the GL website for performance times.

1/2 Days on November 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.

End of 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester is November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

No School on November 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>.

**First day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester** is November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Winter Break is December 20<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>.