

TO: YMCA Members  
MEMO: Mask Order Update  
DATE: Friday, May 14, 2021

As you are aware, since reopening our facilities in June 2020, we have followed both CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines related to COVID-19 safety protocols. We thank you for your support throughout this time.

On Thursday, May 13th, the CDC announced that individuals fully vaccinated for COVID-19 no longer need to wear a mask while indoors. Shortly after the CDC announcement, the Pennsylvania Department of Health announced that effective immediately, anyone fully vaccinated for COVID-19 is not subject to the state Mask Order, which remains in effect until 70 percent of Pennsylvanians are vaccinated. You can read the full announcement [here](#).

**In accordance with this announcement, beginning Friday, May 14, members, program participants and staff of YMCA of Waynesboro Area YMCA who are fully vaccinated may utilize our facilities and participate in programs without a face mask.**

Fully vaccinated is defined as:

- 2 weeks after the second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

If you do not meet the above requirements, you are NOT considered fully vaccinated and therefore are required to continue to wear a mask when inside a YMCA facility and when outdoors on our grounds when social distancing cannot be maintained. We are counting on the integrity of our Y community to follow this guidance based on their vaccination status. Waynesboro Area YMCA staff must submit verification of vaccination to Human Resources to no longer wear a mask indoors.

In honoring our Y core values and respecting your fellow Y members, please remember individuals may continue to wear a mask because they are mid-vaccine or as an extra precaution. We respect everyone's choices and differing levels of comfort as we lessen the restriction within our facility.

We will continue to be diligent about enhanced cleaning practices, reduced capacity in classes and maintaining social distance in common areas. These additional safety precautions will remain in effect and will be reevaluated in the upcoming weeks in accordance with the lifting of all mitigation orders announced for May 31, 2021.

The safety of our members, participants and staff remain our top priority. We will continue to uphold COVID-19 safety guidelines from the CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health. We appreciate your care and respect for your fellow Y members as we continue to work together to maintain the safest environment possible.

We look forward to seeing your smiling face back at the Y!

Warmest Regards,

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