

Good morning,

At last night's Columbus City Council meeting, the Council voted unanimously to remove facial covering requirements for facilities throughout the city – a determination that was [recommended by Columbus Public Health \(CPH\)](#). For this reason, beginning today, Tuesday, March 8th, masks and facial coverings will be optional in all ESC of Central Ohio facilities. We still ask that you complete the [Quickscreen](#) check daily and if you are ill, please stay home.

Other updates include but are not limited to:

- Entering and exiting the building through all doors for staff is again permissible.
- There will be no more COVID-based meeting room, restroom, or elevator capacity limits.
- Internal face-to-face meetings are okay.
- Please continue limiting visitors by appointment only.
- Please continue to not congregate around individual work stations.
- Please continue to follow [CDC guidance on quarantine and isolation](#).

The ESC will continue to monitor the guidance from Franklin County Public Health, CPH, and the CDC and could reinstate more restrictive measures, if necessary. If you have questions moving forward, please see the [updated guidance here](#) or reach out to your direct supervisor.

Thank you all for your patience and diligence over the past two years and moving forward as we work to provide a safe environment for all.