



February 24, 2022

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### REMINDERS:

- Hawks Pride Friday! Show your school spirit by wearing your BEST t-shirt, PBCCS hat or Hawks gear to school.
  - No School March 4 - Staff Professional Development Day
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**OHA lifts Oregon mask requirements for indoor public spaces *and* schools on March 19**  
[The Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\) has announced lifting mask requirements](#) for indoor public spaces *and* Oregon's schools on **March 19**.

Earlier this month, OHA announced that the K-12 mask rule would be lifted on March 31. Current modeling from Oregon Health and Sciences University (OHSU) indicates that hospitalizations will fall below 400 or fewer Oregonians per day by March 19, a level the state experienced before the arrival of the Omicron variant in Oregon. ODE and OHA have communicated that it is important to continue implementation of indoor face coverings in schools until March 19 to help Oregon fully overcome its largest COVID-19 surge brought on by the Omicron variant. [OAR 333-019-1015](#) will remain in effect until March 19.

OHA and ODE are partnering to develop practical updates to safety protocols for quarantine, contact tracing, and testing that meet the current conditions of the pandemic.

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### PBCCS Board Update

At the regular board meeting, Thursday, February 17th, the PBCCS Board heard from many families concerned about the mask requirements. The board listened to everyone's concerns and is appreciative of the feedback. Since that meeting there has been a spread of misinformation. *As of today the PBCCS board has made no decisions about changing the current mask requirements at school.* The Board understands these are very difficult times for everyone and would very much appreciate everyone's support as the Board and staff navigate these uncharted waters.

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### 2022-23 Enrollment

**NEW** students for 2022-23, including siblings, **MUST** complete an application during the open enrollment period between **February 15- April 1**. Enrollment applications can be found on the [PBCCS website](#).

The enrollment lottery will take place on April 1. Families will be notified of their enrollment status soon after the lottery.

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### Yearbook Cover Contest!

Would you like your drawing to be on the cover of the PBCCS 2021-22 Yearbook? All PBCCS students are invited to submit an entry to the Yearbook Cover Contest.

Submit art on:

- 8.5 x 11 sheet of white paper
- Vertical orientation

Entries must include:

- Our school name: PBCCS or Powell Butte Community Charter School
- The dates: 2021-22
- Connect to our PBCCS community and place-based learning theme of **LAND**

Tips for a good entry:

- Use the whole sheet of paper
- Use lots of color
- Mix up your mediums - use crayons, markers, oil pastels

***ENTRIES DUE ON THURSDAY, MARCH 17*** - Turn into the front office.