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Tamaqua Area SD Families:

Today, an order was signed by the Acting Secretary of Health indicating mandatory masking requirements for all students, staff and visitors beginning on September 7, 2021. It was indicated that the order expects to be temporary with re-evaluation at the state level in the beginning of October.

While this development is not what anyone prefers, we are nonetheless, making the necessary plans and procedures to address our needs. We will be researching the best ways to provide layered mitigation techniques to best serve the varied needs of our students. Our hope is to have the information available to families by Thursday, September 2, 2021 at the latest.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation during this unexpected transition and remain committed to providing a safe, educational program for our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Kinder", written in a cursive style.

Raymond J. Kinder
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