

Washington County Department of Education Coordinated School Health



How to Wear and Care for a Cloth Face Covering

Wearing a Face Covering	Removing a Face Covering
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Do clean your hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer before putting on a face covering. ● Do make sure the face covering covers both your nose and mouth. ● Do make sure you can breathe easily. ● Don't wear your face covering hanging under your nose or mouth or around your neck. You will not get the protection you need. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Do clean your hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer before taking off a face covering. ● Do remove the face covering by only touching the ear loops or ties. ● Do fold outside corners of the face covering together and place in a paper or plastic bag for storage. ● Do wash your hands after removal of face covering.



Caring for a Cloth Face Covering

1. Wash and dry on high heat before first use and after every daily use. You may place it directly in the washing machine or use the top shelf in the dishwasher. (Using the dishwasher will help keep the shape of the face covering.)
2. Wash your hands after handling your used face covering.
3. Dry mask by placing in a dryer or place on a clean surface to air dry.
4. Store in a clean, dry place. (Example: plastic or paper bag)