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Optional Masking Update:

On Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022 Kentucky restructured the COVID Mapping for the state. I received an email that afternoon from our Lexington Diocese Superintendent Tom Brown. Mr. Brown stated that after discussion with Bishop John Stowe the restructured map does not meet our needs as a tool used to determine masking in our schools. That map was the tool the Diocese used to make the optional masking decisions.

Mr. Brown also stated that going forward we will no longer be using the current map in Kentucky now that it has been restructured. We have been asked to inform our parents about the restructuring of the map and the fact that the Diocese was not aware of the change until it was made public. Mr. Brown has assured us that he will do his best to keep us informed of any changes and hopes that if we are diligent we will not have to go back to mandatory masking.

So, what does this mean for Holy Family School in Ashland, Kentucky? It means that beginning Monday, March 7th we will go to optional masking at our school. However, let's be smart about this! If your child is not feeling well, do not send them to school! If your child feels like they might be catching a cold tell them to wear their mask that day! I feel like this is a test, so let's do this right!

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