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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Yesterday, a Nassau County Court made a ruling regarding masking mandates for Nassau County. This morning, the State of New York appealed this decision. Below is a statement from the New York State Education Department:

“The State Education Department understands that Nassau County Supreme Court has ruled that the Department of Health exceeded its authority in enacting the mask regulation, 10 NYCRR 2.60, in Demetriou et al. v. New York State Dep’t of Health et al. This regulation is the subject of conflicting decisions, insofar as Albany County Supreme Court recently upheld the regulation in Massapequa UFSD et al. v. Hochul, et al.

*It is SED’s understanding that the Department of Health will appeal the Nassau County Supreme Court decision, which will result in an automatic stay that will unambiguously restore the mask rule until such time as an appellate court issues a further ruling. Therefore, **schools must continue to follow the mask rule.**” (Bold in the original from NYSED)*

As this is an evolving situation with conflicting legal opinions for school districts, per the New York State Department of Health, the New York State Department of Education, and District legal counsel, schools outside of Nassau County have been directed to maintain current COVID school safety protocols and procedures, including the current masking rules, until further notice.

Again, no changes have been made to Remsen’s current COVID school safety protocols and procedures. As we learn more information we will continue to keep you updated. Thank you for your continued support, understanding, and patience. Strength, perseverance and kindness will see us through.

Sincerely,

Timothy Jenny
Superintendent