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Chancellors,

On July 27, 2021, the CDC issued updated [guidance](#), including recommending that fully vaccinated people wear a mask in public indoor settings in areas of [substantial or high transmission](#).

As with the previous updates, regulatory and health organizations downstream from this by CDC, such as Department of Labor, EEOC, OSHA, Wisconsin DHS, and local health departments, have or may be in process of developing more specific guidelines and recommendations to aid us in our dual role as an employer and a higher education institution.

As noted previously, there is no longer a System-wide mask mandate in place, except as it specifically relates to policies for [youth activities and summer bridge programs](#).

As before, I would encourage you all to review your individual campus policies in consultation with your local health department.

We appreciate your patience as the regulatory guidance remains fluid.

Regards,  
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