



8-20-2021 UPDATE from the Library Director

As COVID-19 cases continue to rise in our area and all across the country, local, state, and federal agencies have all issued updated guidance for containing the spread of COVID-19. There are new guidelines recommending vaccination and masking to prevent further outbreaks. [A recent release from the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services](#) states: "In areas with substantial and high transmission, CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent spread of COVID-19, especially the Delta variant, and to protect others."

The Saline District Library Board has adopted a [COVID-19 Prevention Policy](#) intended to protect the health and safety of its employees and visitors to the Library. This policy states the guidelines established for masking requirements inside the building, which are based on stated recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control.

- During periods of **substantial or high** COVID-19 transmission rates in Washtenaw County, persons aged two (2) and older wishing to enter the Saline District Library are **required to wear a mask or face covering** and practice social distancing, regardless of vaccination status.
- During periods of **low or moderate** COVID-19 transmission rates in Washtenaw County, it is **recommended** that persons aged two (2) and older wishing to enter the Saline District Library wear a mask or face covering and practice social distancing, regardless of vaccination status.

Washtenaw County is currently at the Substantial level of community transmission.
Therefore, all staff and visitors are required to wear face masks at the Library.
Enforcement of this policy will take effect beginning Monday, August 23rd.

Compliance with this policy will allow us to maintain services and help keep everyone safe. We appreciate your understanding and assistance.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at the Library!

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Library Director