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***Re: Board Level Appeal (Policy 1740): Face Covering Accommodation Request***

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur:

On December 16, 2021, a panel of the Wake County Board of Education ("Board") considered your appeal, pursuant to Board Policy 1740, of the Level II decision of the Superintendent denying your family's request for a medical accommodation/waiver for your children of the requirement of wearing a face covering in the Wake County Schools.

The board panel carefully considered the evidence presented at the appeal hearing, including the record on appeal, your presentation and arguments, and your answers to Board questions. The Board panel also considered the presentation and responses of the school administration and Eva Dubuissou, the attorney representing the WCPSS administration.

After careful deliberation, the Board panel unanimously upholds the Level II decision reached by WCPSS administration denying your request for a medical accommodation/waiver for your children of the requirement of wearing a face covering in the Wake County Schools. The Board panel determined that the administration's decision was the result of proper and lawful procedure, and that the decision was supported by substantial evidence in view of the entire record. This is the final decision of the Board with respect to your Policy 1740 Appeal.

Please understand the Board appreciates your advocacy for your children and genuinely wants your children to succeed in the Wake County Schools.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Mahaffey, Chair  
Wake County Board of Education

cc: Cathy Q. Moore, Superintendent  
Members of the Wake County Board of Education  
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