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**From:** Jan Smith <jansm6475@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 10:30 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Extension of COVID restrictions

Please do not consider altering our lives with these draconian measures. We now have a vaccine that will allow us to live with this virus in the same way we live with the deadly flu virus. Science proves lock downs are not the answer. There will be a lot of push back in this proposed over reach that will adversely affect how we live our lives. Please reconsider as we know when the virus numbers subside we can return to our normal lives.

Jan Smith

Sent from my iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: So I will tell you

I am passing this on for the comment period and have shared the specific school information with MFO.

Julie

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 12:38 PM  
**To:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Cc:** Banks Rachael <Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us>  
**Subject:** Re: So I will tell you

I advised the people at both places to make a complaint. The problem is that that are all getting so emotionally drained that it is hard for them to do anything. Or trust that anything they might do will make any difference.

At this point in time local public health is totally complicit. I have cc'd Rachael. So the district will just say that they let public health make the call. And they will be off the hook.

What medical professional in their right mind would not realize that 2nd grade students do not keep their masks on, do not always stay distanced — and oh, by the way, had their masks off to eat? The regulations specifically state that if they can't rule out lack of social distancing, assume this should occur.

What medical professional in their right mind would tell parents of children close to a child that tested positive, that this child was only exposed? And not tell the other parents anything? The regulations specifically state that parents should be told.

What if a child started to show some symptoms, but not many, and the parents did not think a thing — because they were not told -- and this kid is positive and exposing them?

The public nurse told me that they can't ask if people who tested positive are parents and have a child in school. Why NOT??? What logic does this make???

What medical professional would not be concerned about a staff meeting in a closed unventilated room held several days before a staff member tests positive? And then not change their guidance to the district when they find this out?

No one will tell districts that are blatantly violating safety protocols that they have to stop.



They were apparently making ice cream sundaes. This is on their Facebook page! They KNOW that they will not be held accountable in any way.

And many other school staff members see this. They know that there will not be compliance in their district. Even when they achieve immunity through vaccinations, they know that their kids could get sick and kill a family member.

And when they get vaccinated, your job is over. There is absolutely NO WAY to protect students and their families!!! And we have a more dangerous variant coming.

The rich, privileged white folks in Portland are arguing that schools need to open to serve the poor minority kids. <https://www.wweek.com/news/schools/2021/01/31/parent-rally-to-reopen-oregon-schools-draws-ire-from-teachers/>

Colt said that we can best meet our equity goals if we open schools. None of the state leaders seem to care at all about the families that will be at the highest risk.

No one at the state level in OHA or ODE gives a damn. They are all just toddling along following the Governor's orders — and lying to the senate committee that districts will follow the 160+ safety protocols with fidelity and this will protect kids and staff and everyone's families.

As Osterholm said on Face the Nation yesterday, everyone is at the warm beach. They are ignoring the warnings that a hurricane of the variants is coming — and things are going to get far worse than they have been!!! Instead of figuring out how to keep teachers, kids, and their families safe — and still continue to do the job they are supposed to do — the entire focus is on how to place them in danger.

Nancy



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On Feb 1, 2021, at 9:48 AM, LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <[Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov](mailto:Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov)> wrote:

Good morning, Nancy,

I have forwarded your concerns about schools in Winston and Coos to the Medford field office. We do need an exact location to begin our process so the manager may reach out to you for specific information unless there was already an open complaint to address the concerns you shared. Oregon OSHA's hands are not tied and we are giving increased priority to school complaints. But our rules are such that we never prohibit work. We require employers to operate as safely as possible within the framework of our rules, but we would not on our own initiative tell them they cannot operate.

Last Friday, Oregon OSHA also proposed a permanent rule to address COVID-19 and to replace the temporary rule that will expire on May 4, 2021. Once adopted, the permanent rule will be in place until repealed when no longer needed to address the pandemic. The proposed rule has been filed and both it and the description of the public comment process can be found on Oregon OSHA's "proposed rules" page at <https://osha.oregon.gov/rules/making/Pages/proposed.aspx>. The comment period for the rule is now open and I hope you will take time to review the rule and submit your comments.

*Julie*

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**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 30, 2021 11:18 PM  
**To:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: So I will tell you

This is absolutely what is happening in Oregon.

[https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/education/2021/01/27/biden-covid-19-plan-looks-safety-students-teachers-defy-rules/4257689001/?fbclid=IwAR3DexqSQqbO2L-9E\\_N7RzPutfXwks1SQELSwyww\\_GW24pVzKxnkjqv3yI8](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/education/2021/01/27/biden-covid-19-plan-looks-safety-students-teachers-defy-rules/4257689001/?fbclid=IwAR3DexqSQqbO2L-9E_N7RzPutfXwks1SQELSwyww_GW24pVzKxnkjqv3yI8)

And no one at OHA or ODE give a damn!!!

Look at the lies the administrators are saying. "We are following all safety protocols"

I have worked in bullying prevention for over a decade. When bullying occurs they always say "we have zero tolerance to bullying."

They are flat lying. They are going to lie to you. And you are likely to take their word over staff.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2021, at 8:29 PM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

But at this point I do not think OSHA will do anything.

Winston. Staff tested positive last weekend. Staff were in a meeting in an unventilated room the Wednesday before. I am pretty sure based on what the public health guy said that the school did not report this. Students quarantined. Staff not.

Staff tried to report the staff meeting to public health but he said file an OSHA complaint. They know you will not do anything.

By the way there are photos in their Facebook page showing students not distancing. I am told that they are not keeping cohorts separate.

Student tested positive Wednesday. He had not been in school since the Wednesday before.

Everyone will be back on Monday.

Coos. 2nd grade student tested positive. Public health spoke with principal. They decided not to quarantine the class. 2nd grade students stay in their places and keep their masks on all the time. Except for the 20 minutes they were eating.

Even though the kid tested positive the parents of the students who were quarantined were told their child had been exposed to someone who had been exposed. And the

other parents were not told anything. Obviously they would not have wanted to know the truth.

Then the teacher found out that a child has been in school for a week after his parents had tested positive. Apparently even though kids are in school "do you have a child in school?" Is not a question that public health asks. Why should anyone care?

So I did contact public health and ask and I sent some of the messages I received to some state senators and representatives - after Lindsey, Colt, and Dean told them that it was safe to open schools because the districts are going to implement the 160 safety protocols with fidelity.

Filing a complaint with OSHA does not be appearing to have any positive impact.

Districts are violating the standards with impunity.

[https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.kptv.com/news/back-to-school-estacada-sd-students-in-kindergarten-first-grade-return-to-in-person-learning/article\\_436b9e9a-5f49-11eb-b9b9-0bbd508cd314.amp.html](https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.kptv.com/news/back-to-school-estacada-sd-students-in-kindergarten-first-grade-return-to-in-person-learning/article_436b9e9a-5f49-11eb-b9b9-0bbd508cd314.amp.html)

No social distancing. Windows are not down. School Board member does not know how to wear a mask.

And everyone is all perfectly all right with this.

Does anyone think about the distress these staff members are going through - waiting to see if they have been exposed? Isolating from their family to avoid exposing them?

As I have become an advocate for these folks i am not receiving private messages when they are upset. More and more are upset. With 3 people this week I made sure to see that they had good support networks because they were so distressed.

The emotional distress being expressed in the online group is escalating.

Nothing whatsoever can be done to protect these people. I know OHSA will not do anything substantive. You have been overwhelmed. I am still recommend reporting to establish a paper trail that can support litigation.

School staff knows that if they do report they likely will face retaliation in the community. So they only feel safe reporting if they are prepared to leave.

Nothing can be done. Kate gets her wish to place everyone at risk. I hope she realizes her political career is over.

Probably you do not need to respond. I know there is nothing you can do.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:32 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Your next problem

For the record.

Julie

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 2:12 PM  
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**Subject:** Your next problem

Once school staff are vaccinated, schools will not have to fear dealing with OSHA any more. So whatever possible influential OSHA might play in possibly trying to ensure safe actions will vanish. As will the ability to protect oneself and gain BOLI protections if the school retaliates.

So then when schools and local public health agencies decide not to quarantine a whole class when a student tests positive and not tell the parents, or any other violations of safety protocols, there is no vehicle to hold the school accountable.

Teachers will obviously not report because they will risk retaliation.

If a teacher did file an OSHA complaint, OSHA will say, "You are vaccinated so you are safe. It is not our job to take care of students."

Local public health will not do anything, because they will have no authority.

So while the Governor wants to get students into schools — at great risk to themselves and their families — there will be absolutely no vehicle whatsoever to protect students when (not if) schools do not think it is necessary to follow safety protocols.

And a more deadly variant is barreling towards us.

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** anonymouse1971 <anonymouse1971@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 10:26 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Comments

I believe this "permanent" rule addressing COVID-19 to be unconstitutional. It should be by the people, for the people, and this is not that. The people do not wish to give the state the right to decide whenever (if at all) to repeal this "permanent rule". This will limit opportunities for all walks of life and destroys every single human's rights to freedom, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. This will limit every small business from operation and is so obviously in favor to the big corporations that you are all so obviously in favor for. This helps no one but the select few making money off of these orders. A comment period means nothing when those receiving comments do not take them into consideration, and I know this to be true with this one.

I ask you this...to what extent will you continue to oppress your brothers and sisters? To what will you allow your ignorance to take lives and separate families?

If you roll your eyes, you are asleep. If you are angry, you have been led astray. If you see no truth in any of this, then you are the problem and you will be the one to live with your own consequences. The people will not stand for this. We are strong, we are awake, and we are not going to stop fighting for our rights and freedom. We will not beg, we will not complain, because now is the time we get in the ring and band together.

Sincerely,  
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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Joel La Follette <joel@royaltreatmentflyfishing.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:41 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** COVID Comments

Since the COVID-19 pandemic changed the way we do business, there has been little guidance of value offered to small businesses. I would suggest that the state provide a recommended formula based on square footage and air-flow, when offering advice on customer/employee capacity.

Also, a resource for air-purification options for retail and offices.

So many companies are selling COVID related supplies that are not needed, but it would be nice to have guidance on products that would keep employees and customers healthy.

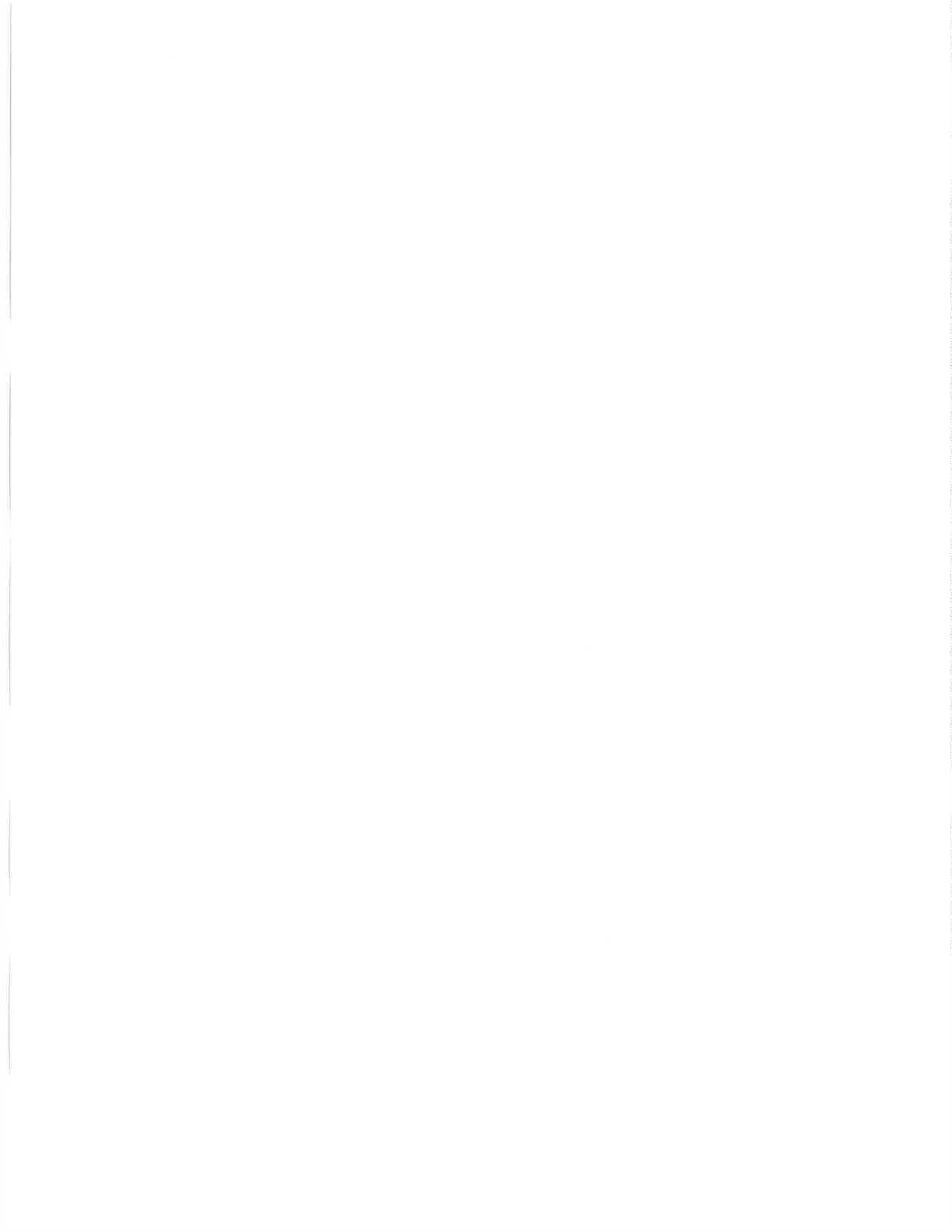
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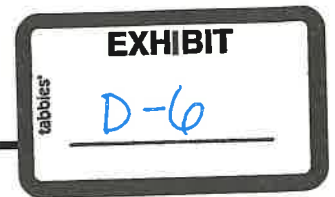
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**From:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 10:20 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Proposal to make permanent

This is a comment I received regarding the proposed permanent Covid rule. Forwarding it along. Thanks, Aaron

**From:** Amber Dumolt <amberdumolt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS <Aaron.Corvin@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Proposal to make permanent

To Whom it May Concern,

After reviewing the 105 page proposal to make the temporary regulations permanent, I am confident in saying this is an absurdity.

Oregon OSHA, are you aware of the financial crisis tens of thousands of Oregonian's have felt in the past year? Are you aware of all the businesses that have shut down due to lack of ability to even be open? These are just two of the major issues we are seeing.

I for one, work within industries that are heavily regulated by the Oregon Health Authority long before COVID-19. And when all laws and regulations are followed that are issued by OHA, the possibility of transmission of any type of viruses is very limited.

By making this temporary regulation permanent, you're completely tearing away the ability of hundreds of thousands of Oregonian's the ability to make a liveable income. For instance, due to the social distancing mandate a salon owner must reduce the hours of their independent contractors, which then reduces the number of clients to come into the business. Therefore, this has forced these contractors to claim unemployment and has forced these business owners to apply and take out government loans, which they may never be able to pay back.

For another example, by continuing with social distancing you're stripping away the ability for restaurants, bars and brew pubs to continue to operate in a financially feasible way. Not only does this decrease the revenue of the establishment, it reduces the number of employees, which in turn leads to tens of thousands of people still collecting unemployment because their place of employment can't continue to employ them.

Now let's talk about K-12 regulations, that you're proposing be permanent. Who in their right mind thinks this is even acceptable for school aged children to not be in a classroom on a regular basis. Hey OSHA, let's get the verbiage from Oregon Department of Education on the 'No Child Left Behind act. Without a doubt, by implementing this temporary rule as permanent, there will be hundreds of thousands of children that will get left behind and as a state, our graduation rates will drastically decline, college and trade school admissions will severally decline and with already low graduation rates, those too will decline even more significantly.

If in fact this proposal follows through, you will have failed our next generation and will already set them up for poverty and failure. As a state that was starting to flourish and gain headway, the rights of citizens and children have been stripped away. This has left a blue collar citizen in financial ruins and their children in dispare.

Now, let's talk about gym facilities. Has everyone forgotten the science and proven facts behind exercising? Why continue to limit peoples ability to use a gym facility? Still to this day, gym facilities are closed. Closed. Please, do give everyone the science behind why gym facilities are closed.

Before this continues for further discussion, Oregon Health Authority needs to present the statistics and rates of suicide, domestic violence, attempted suicide, child abuse, and any other mental health crisis for further evidence that supports this ridiculous mandate to become permanent. OSHA, you have been blinded by politics instead of facts.

I may only be one person, but this has gone on long enough. And I will not sit idly any longer waiting for someone to open their eyes and see the damage that everyone is experiencing.





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 9:16 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Tech web form submitted  
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How do you want us to contact you? (pick one)	Email
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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:01 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Contact tracing

This is comments regarding public health but still forwarding for the record.

Julie

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 7:46 AM  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@state.or.us>; CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV <Lindsey.D.CAPPS@oregon.gov>; scott.nine@ode.state.or.us; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE <shadiin.garcia@state.or.us>; Banks Rachael <Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us>; SIDELINGER DEAN E <DEAN.E.SIDELINGER@dhsaha.state.or.us>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Contact tracing

I just realized the additional thing my conversation with a public health nurse informed me of.

Your contact tracing is totally lacking if your intent is to prove that having schools open will not cause community spread.

She said they don't ask about children in school. This lack goes both ways.

A child in school could be infected but asymptomatic and expose a parent. Or the parent could expose the child who is asymptomatic and takes this to school.

So your contact tracing and communications with anyone who tests positive must include questions of whether any adult who tests positive has a child in school.

It is beyond my understanding that this has not been established as a required process.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 1:38 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Another district in trouble

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 1:38:03 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** thomas.jeanne@dhsosha.state.or.us; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; GILL Colt - ODE; Banks Rachael  
**Subject:** Re: Another district in trouble

The parent did contact the school. Within 30 minutes parent was being harassed online for filing a complaint BY 3 school employees.

This has spread so that other local people are harassing her online.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 4, 2021, at 7:36 AM, GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us> wrote:

Nancy-

Thank you for clarifying Turner, this is Cascade School District. Parent should first contact the school district. I believe the district will take parent concerns seriously. The Cascade Superintendent has been highly involved in the guidance rollout and is focused on getting it right.

OSHA is viable for parents. They can take action beyond citations. They can work with OHA to close the facility if it is a health hazard and they can work with ODE to withhold state school funds. I am positive that not all the staff at Cascade "do not believe in masks", even if that *may* be true for some. Any particular staff members values around masks do not impact an OSHA investigation.

Parents can also report online harassment to police.

Thanks,  
Colt

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 7:16 AM  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us>  
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**Subject:** Re: Another district in trouble

I have told them to file complaints. The staff are not concerned. They do not believe in masks. There is NO way to protect students. And OSHA can't really do much except for issue a citation. These folks plan to open further in several weeks.

How can parents who are concerned force the district or someone to have district employees and other parents from cyberbullying them. Litigation?

The new issue here is the district supporting cyberbullying of parents.

Okay. I will contact OTLA.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 4, 2021, at 5:18 AM, GILL Colt - ODE <[colt.gill@ode.state.or.us](mailto:colt.gill@ode.state.or.us)> wrote:

Nancy-

Oregon does not have a Cascadia School District. Assuming this is an error, you and the others that believe the rules are not being followed should file a complaint with Oregon OSHA at 1-833-604-0884 or [online](#).

Thanks,

Colt

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy Willard <[nwillard@embracecivility.org](mailto:nwillard@embracecivility.org)>

Sent: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 10:08 PM

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Subject: Another district in trouble

Sigh.

Cascadia district. Many people in the community think masks are more dangerous than covid. They are not wearing masks at school. I think they are only LIPI now. They are planning to open wider soon.

So the report (and I may not be entirely clear) is: Parents took some photos of students not wearing masks. Reported to the superintendent. Within a very short time several school employees started attacking these parents online. Screen shots were sent to me. So how did these employees find out? The person who told me - a mom who is trying to build community - thinks this was probably the board chair. This mom also has photos of 40 students and staff with only 2 masks!

Anyway, one of the school employees is also the local ED300 coordinator and a coach.

This employee is one who has been attacking parents who reported concerns.

(The ED300 folks are really nasty. They have attacked me both through private messaging and publicly. There is a mole in the Safe Return group who sends shots of what I post. I am called such things as "that vile woman." Worse privately.)

Anyway, apparently the cyber bullying of parents by school staff has now been reported to the superintendent. And to Safe Schools Oregon. Not that this will do any good.

Coaches are usually the most popular people in a rural community. So how is the superintendent going to handle this ???

School staff are likely not going to speak up if they have any concerns about masks not being worn. Or any other failure to follow safety concerns. If they were concerned - which they may not be - they are not going to say anything or they risk retaliation.

The huge lack in the system is any way to protect students. Or their families.

What is going to happen if a parent files an OSHA complaint and none of the employees are upset about failure to follow safety protocol? Or any who are can't say anything?

I do not think the fact that this town and school apparently has a lot of coiidiots should mean that we should simply look away when there are safety concerns. Especially when children are at risk.

And apparently several positive Covid results in schools. I think.

So what should I suggest to the nice mom who is trying to figure out how to deal with this situation?

I will not be responsive tomorrow. I am driving to St Helens to pick up some goats.

Nancy



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 9:45 AM  
**To:** MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; WOOD Michael \* DCBS; APPEL Lisa \* DCBS; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: New OSHA rules

Comment. FYI.

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**From:** Justin Spaulding <JSpaulding@medfordeyedocctors.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 9:32 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS; KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Subject:** New OSHA rules

To OSHA board,

I am a Dr at the Cataract and Laser Institute of Southern Oregon. I do not understand these new guidelines for business. If we put these into effect we will only continue to blunt the recent drop in business. We have a large subset of patients that are unwilling/hostile with the current guidelines and making them permanent will only make it worse. Luckily we are not a business based on tourism... think what people are going to say/do when they visit out beautiful state and we are still acting like COVID is ruling the land. You do not make changes based on outliers. Please reconsider what you are proposing for all the people trying to run a business.

Dr Justin Spaulding  
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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 2:24 PM  
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**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA Rules

More comments. FYI.

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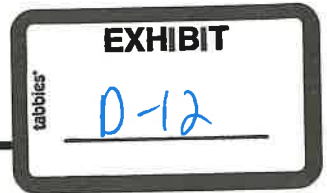
**From:** Ann Elizabeth Caddigan <ann@ductapenroses.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 2:22 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Cc:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Subject:** OSHA Rules

Please consider the following comments from an Oregon resident:

Every country’s Constitution and laws are sacred. You can’t pick and choose. You cannot accept rules issued by State and Federal agencies based on faulty science espoused by sycophantic bureaucrats that would violate the human rights of entire populations. It would threaten their very lives and livelihoods while enriching the very richest. You all seem to be willfully ignoring both science and fact. PCR testing has no legitimate use as a covid screen and is 50-80% false positive. How do you ignore The Great Barrington Declaration and all the scientists and Medical Doctors who have signed it? There is no public emergency. Let the temporary “rule” expire. A rule is not a law. We all should choose to live in accordance with the Constitution and the bill of rights above all.

Thank You,  
Ann Caddigan  
Deadwood, Oregon





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** mandoblundo <mandoblundo@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 10:27 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** NO permanent COVID rules

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my disgust with the proposed permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in all workplaces. Temporary rules have expiration dates in order to readdress the situation taking into account ALL updated data and science. It cannot be argued that this pandemic is changing as we gain more data about the virus and how it transmits. How can you propose a permanent rule to something that continues to change? How about comparing Oregon OSHA rules with rules of other states to see how transmissions compare?

Checks and balances are put into place to protect citizens and workers. You are overriding this by proposing a permanent rule. Will the Governor's State of Emergency also be declared permanent?

My public comment is for NO permanent rules to COVID in the workplace. Rules must be reassessed on a regular basis as we learn more about the virus.

Thank you,  
Mandy Bland - concerned Medford citizen

Sent with ProtonMail Secure Email.





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 10:33 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Permanent Rule Addressing Covid-19 In The workplace

Comment/proposed Covid permanent rule.

**From:** Molly Ohman <molly.ohman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 5, 2021 10:28 AM  
**To:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS <Aaron.Corvin@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Permanent Rule Addressing Covid-19 In The workplace

Dear Mr. Corvin,

I oppose the creation of a permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in the workplace. Please give employers and employees the freedom to choose how they will take care of themselves during the "pandemic." Businesses are already struggling and we are all doing our best to cope with the situation. More rules from the government are not the answer. You ask that we carefully read through the 105 pages of this proposed new rule. That is insanity! Please leave us alone!

Thank you for your time,

Molly Ohman





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** Jason Taylor <jason.taylor@dashtire.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 7, 2021 8:57 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Mask guidelines

I appreciate what OSHA has been able to accomplish for work place safety. As an agency for keeping people safe at work, I believe they have done well at this in Oregon. Regarding the possibility of implementation of masks as a more permanent protocol for safety, I believe this will not be a good measure.

Masks are today & have always been a provision for safety against particles & molecules that are known & proven in various quantities to cause harm to people in the vicinity of known particle or molecule. Masks have historically never been & still aren't a proven provision against unseen, unknown particles or molecules. This sets a precedent with far greater implications for causing other negative health effects than what it is proposed it could prevent. The CoVid virus in spite of very heavy mask compliance is following the same or similar trajectory to other places in the world where they are not considered a tool of mitigation. That should cause pause for those willing to push forward on any regulation regarding this very issue.

What are the guaranteed pros & cons regarding CoVid?

Pro: Masks have done a good job catching & filtering molecules that could cause damage to our human systems.

Cons: these molecules are far bigger & easier to filter than small viral molecules. CoVid is the smallest of these viruses.

Pro: masks can protect us from some molecules we can guarantee will be harmful to humans.

Cons: masks are unable to protect us from all molecules & a CoVid molecule cannot be guaranteed to cause harm to humans. Most people are able to process this virus through their immune system & create their own antibodies & mitigation efforts to ward this off for years to come. Possibly a lifetime of immunity. This is a far superior type of immunity than what a mask or any gene therapy biologic (mRNA vaccine) has to offer.

In all of human history, we've been surrounded by & our bodies are living with trillions of varieties of viral molecules. A mask will only serve to compromise our bodies ability to create the trillions of antibodies against these viruses for several reasons. Our bodies are factories making antibodies to survive with viral load. We live in relative harmony with most of these viruses. We excrete through various ways the toxins of these viruses. Through our digestive system, sweat glands, our eyes, ears sylvia, & our exhaled breath. Due to the recycled breathing of exhaled toxins, we are not only compromising an important natural mitigation process but also increasing the risk for bacterial danger.

Dr Fauci wrote a paper in 2008 highlighting some of these disastrous consequences of wearing masks. Bacterial pneumonia from wearing masks happened to have killed more people than spanish flu did. Mask mouth is a condition where good bacteria in our mouths are inundated with high CO2 anaerobic conditions (over 2000ppm) that cause it's death leaving our mouths susceptible to gum disease & tooth decay. Dentists are starting to see this.

Oxygen is reduced up to 30% & CO2 is increased to over 2000ppm in a mask which by OSHA standards is a violation in the work place. The reason this is a violation is because we know the hazards associated with decreasing oxygen & increasing CO2. Cancer thrives in anaerobic conditions. By reducing aerobic oxygen & increasing anaerobic CO2, it creates the perfect conditions that we may soon see even more cancer. Reduction in oxygen also can cause headaches because the body is having difficulty both carrying the oxygen it does get & getting rid of the waste CO2 & toxins it needs to.

Masks have less to do with how a person can mitigate a virus than state of health can. By compromising a healthy body through the use of masks, one could argue that mask use could actually increase the level of CoVid outbreaks by weakening/compromising the bodies immune system designed specifically for this task. This may be why the rate of infection has had essentially no difference in places that people are wearing them vs not wearing them. Science has conducted tests to show the dangers of attempting to create conditions for humans devoid of any bacterial or viral load. It creates a condition where the body is completely unprepared for the onslaught of these bacteria & viruses once reintroduced to them in our environment. In other words, It's safer for us to face these viruses & bacteria rather than attempt to hide from them. It is impossible & illogical to even attempt to hide from them.

It is logically evident that although masks can protect us from some things, viral contagion isn't truly one of those things. It's evident that the measures to mitigate a virus have a very low guarantee of prevention & a much higher guarantee of potential health consequences that can cause injury & even death. It's also evident that by compromising a natural important part of the human viral mitigation effort, more harm than good could result.

It is for these reasons that I strongly urge OSHA to reconsider more stringent mask orders. I urge OSHA to actually consider relaxing the current mask orders. Thank you for your time

-Jason Taylor  
Canby, Or



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Momo Garrison <momojuneg@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 7, 2021 5:44 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** No to permanent work related Covid regulations.

No! This is ridiculous! Covid has been on the decrease (even tho the severity of Covid ans the numbers of cases are a lie).  
This ia also going get out rights





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 1:57 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Who do parents file complaints with over lack of protections for their children?

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 1:55:56 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; NINE Scott - ODE; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; Banks Rachael; Jeanne Thomas L; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon; Lora Nordquist  
**Subject:** Re: Who do parents file complaints with over lack of protections for their children?

Your entire approach to ensuring safety is going to come crumbling down around you.

Realize that the districts that are jumping the gun to open are in the rural areas of the state where a large majority of residents think masks are more dangerous than COVID. And probably think Trump won the election.

In these communities it is dangerous to be supportive of protective measures.

Staff members in schools cannot complain to the school or district RSSL person. There is no whistleblower protection.

I was told by one staff member of an uncomfortable visit by a superintendent in a district that absolutely has not been making good choices. Her fear was that he was seeking to identify the staff members who are the troublemakers.

I do tell staff members to file with OSHA. And to keep quiet about concerns at their school. So absolutely do NOT report concerns to the RSSL person. Absolutely not!

But if there is retaliation even BOLI will not really be able to help. Anyone who files a complaint will have to be prepared for the information that they complained to be released somehow and they will forever be tarnished in their community — may have to leave to prevent their kids from being bullied. (My kids were bullied because I was fighting for equity in the 4J district.)

Parents will soon know that it is not safe for them to file a complaint. They have zero protection if anyone in the district decides to release information that they complained. They face community harassment.

Note Rep Leon and Sen Dembrow. Colt, Lindsey, and Dean said it would be safe to open in person when the safety protocols are enforced. If it is not safe for anyone to complain about safety protocols not being followed then there is no way to ensure that the safety protocols will be followed.

So likely someone ought to come up with another plan.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2021, at 1:19 PM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

What is the consequence to a school district that provides information to other staff members about a parent complaint that then results in the public harassment of that parent by school staff members and sports volunteers?

She may need to move from the community, based on the depth of the harassment I have seen. I would certainly not feel safe staying in the community or having my children go to school there.

Who will pay for those damages?

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2021, at 1:13 PM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

Colt,

Thanks for this.

However, a parent did this in another district, that I wrote to you about, and the district leadership provided information about her complaint to the local ED300 person, who is also a coach. The result was public harassment by numerous staff members.

Is the designated staff person required to keep a log? Is that log available through public records request? Are they sending these logs to you?

If a complaint is made to the district and the district does not effectively handle the situation, what is the next step?

Your trust in the Bend LaPine district does not appear to be shared.

What about photos? If photos are taken and only provided to file a complaint is this permissible?

OSHA is only responsible for employee complaints.

Who enforces safety standards if schools/districts do not comply or force students to comply with measures to protect students?

What mechanism is in place to ensure accountability?

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2021, at 12:47 PM, GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us> wrote:

Nancy,

Parents should immediately raise their concerns to the school. Each school has designated a single point-person at each school to establish, implement, support and enforce all RSSL health and safety protocols, including face coverings and physical distancing requirements, consistent with this guidance and other guidance from OHA. This role should be known to all staff in the building. If no action is taken, they should raise the concern to the school district. The OSHA complaint process is available to parents and your description would also put staff at risk. All the protocols are to be followed to provide as much risk mitigation to the entire population as possible. Parents can file a named or confidential complaint with Oregon OSHA at 1-833-604-0884 or [online](#).

Bend-La Pine School District is Oregon's fifth largest school district. They understand they are setting an example for schools across the region and state. They are also a district they is focused on their national reputation. I believe they will take action to quickly correct misalignment with safety protocols.

Thanks,  
Colt

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:17 AM

To: lindsey.d.capps@oregon.gov; colt.gill@state.or.us; NINE Scott - ODE <Scott.Nine@ode.state.or.us>; shadiin.garcia@state.or.us; Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us;

thomas.l.jeanne@dhsaha.state.or.us; julie.a.love@oregon.gov;

SIDELINGER DEAN E <DEAN.E.SIDELINGER@dhsaha.state.or.us>

Cc: SEN Dembrow <Sen.MichaelDembrow@oregonlegislature.gov>; REP

AlonsoLeon <Rep.TeresaAlonsoLeon@oregonlegislature.gov>

Subject: Re: Who do parents file complaints with over lack of protections for their children?

And how do they document this. I suggested taking photos. But there may be privacy concerns. But you are not going to do anything without some kind of proof.

Nancy

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> Nancy

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 11:17 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Who do parents file complaints with over lack of protections for their children?

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From: Nancy Willard  
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:16:33 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
To: CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; GILL Colt - ODE; scott.nine@ode.state.or.us; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; Banks Rachael; Jeanne Thomas L; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E  
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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** declogston@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:14 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** We are done!

Hi, my name is Erika and I've been a hairstylist in Oregon for 13 years now. I'm writing you to voice my deep concern and opinions about OSHA trying to make the current working regulations a permanent law. I was absolutely heart broken and beyond disappointed that you are trying to impose unnecessary rules on us. There is no reason we need to continue wearing masks in the salon as well as our clients. They have changed the entire salon experience and nobody enjoys it anymore. It's miserable to wear a mask all day and not be able to smile at anybody. I have a brain tumor and wearing a mask which is not giving my brain the oxygen it needs is giving me huge negative affects including horrible headaches that are noticeably worse when wearing a mask. It's ridiculous that Oregon is being so over board about all of this. We already have high sanitation requirements, there's no reason to change or ruin this industry by implementing more unnecessary rules. Please do us all a favor and get us back to normal life and working conditions. The only thing that will happen if you try to make more laws about masks is you will lose a large amount of people from the industry as well as causing divide and salons taking a stand to refuse to comply because it's out of hand.

Thank you  
Erika

Sent from my iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 12:45 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS; MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS;  
STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Opposition to Proposed permanent Rules for COVID-19

FYI. Comment.

**From:** Ryan B. Israelsen <ribimd@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Opposition to Proposed permanent Rules for COVID-19

To whom it may concern,

I am strongly opposed to the proposal to continue COVID-19 precautions in perpetuity. These rules would put undue restraint on businesses and healthcare facilities, overtax workers, create unnecessary paperwork, and further destroy the fragile economy of local businesses.

In short, creating a rule that MUST BE REPEALED is short sighted, puts undue burden on businesses and employees, and establishing a rule in perpetuity means it may not be repealed at all or in a timely fashion.

Some specific points about the proposal;

HVAC certification would require time and payments for inspectors. This would create a market where inspectors are required, putting businesses at the mercy of the inspectors schedule and cost. Some businesses may require temporary closure if they cannot have an inspection prior to the proposed June 1 deadline, which is likely to happen when all businesses are required to have this done.

Additionally, scientific studies have not shown this to be an effective avoidance measure for COVID-19 infection and spread.

Requiring employers to maintain a written PPE supply and crisis management plan according to CDC guidelines is difficult to implement and understand. Unnecessary paperwork will not avoid the spread of an infectious disease.

Aerosol generating procedures are poorly defined and poorly understood. Requiring employees to wear N95 or higher level masks even when exposed to patients who do not have suspect SARS-COV2 infection is unnecessary. It wastes a valuable resource (PPE) and may be used on unnecessary procedures (which do not generate aerosolized infectious particles).

Thank you,

Ryan B. Israelsen  
M.D.





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:46 AM  
**To:** MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; APPEL Lisa \* DCBS; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: OSHA Proposed Permanent Rules to Replace COVID-19 Temporary Rules

Rule comment/suggestion. FYI.

**From:** Evan Olson <evang.olson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:39 AM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** OSHA Proposed Permanent Rules to Replace COVID-19 Temporary Rules

Hello Matthew,

I was recently notified by the company who I work with to keep my team up to date and trained to comply with OSHA and HIPAA requirements about proposed permanent changes to COVID-19 Temporary Rules.

Because there is not currently an FDA approved vaccination for COVID-19 I have one specific concern with the following proposed rule

- (3)(m)(C) COVID-19 vaccination for workers (This section is new and requires employers to **document employee declination of the vaccine.**)

While I personally believe in vaccination even given the comparatively limited safety and efficacy data of our currently available vaccines I do not believe employers should be required to document an employees choice of whether or not to receive a vaccination that is only authorized for emergency use at this time.

Thank you for your time,  
Evan G Olson DDS  
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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Emily Stein (Childers) <estein16@georgefox.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 8:51 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Cc:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Comment on proposed permanent rule

Hello,

Please do not impose these proposed permanent restrictions on employers, as they disproportionately impact small businesses. Consider: If a small business is owned and managed by perhaps two people, two people necessary for the everyday operations of said business, there is no time for meeting these criteria except which comes at a cost. There are no extra funds coming in for most small businesses, so no extra resources available for purchasing respirators, filtration equipment, etc. unless further (after a year of sacrifices) sacrifice is made. If a small business is already hardly making it, this permanent rule could be the finger on the trigger for those looking for the light, the hope at the end of these trying and defeating times.

*Just as each person is responsible to vote, each person is responsible for ensuring his/her own protection to the level required by his/her comfort.*

Please do not increase the burden on those who could be near the edge... or you will surely be directly contributing to our skyrocketing suicide rates (among many other things adversely caused by this pandemic).

Thank you for your heartfelt and honest consideration.

Emily Stein  
Doctor of Physical Therapy  
Graduate of George Fox University in Newberg, OR







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:16 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Open Oregon

Since this came in during comment period, sending you what I got – even though not specific to our rule:

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 11:08 AM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Open Oregon

Fyi...

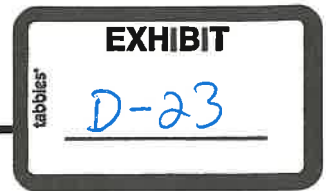
Thanks,

Renée

**From:** lindsey marsh <marsh.lindsey@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** [Governor.Brown@state.or.us](mailto:Governor.Brown@state.or.us); [dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us](mailto:dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us); PIRTLE-GUINEY Elana \* GOV <Elana.PIRTLE-GUINEY@oregon.gov>; CHRISTENSEN Jody \* GOV <Jody.Christensen@oregon.gov>; Hinsz Jamie <Jamie.Hinsz2@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Green Matthew \*OHA <MATTHEW.GREEN@dhsaha.state.or.us>; PAKSERESHT Fariborz <FARIBORZ.PAKSERESHT@dhsaha.state.or.us>; KLEIN Rosa \* GOV <Rosa.KLEIN@oregon.gov>; Stapp Nicole <NICOLE.STAPP@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Fernandez Tristan <Tristan.Fernandez@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Hall Brooke M <BROOKE.M.HALL@dhsaha.state.or.us>; HORNER Leah \* GOV <Leah.Horner@oregon.gov>; WOLF-MCCORMICK Penny L \* DCBS <Penny.L.Wolf-McCormick@oregon.gov>; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS <Renee.M.Stapleton@oregon.gov>; [Patrick.Allen@state.or.us](mailto:Patrick.Allen@state.or.us); Banks Rachael <Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Mclellan Jana E <JANA.E.MCLELLAN@dhsaha.state.or.us>  
**Subject:** Open Oregon

It is time to open up oregon. The past two days had less than 500 cases, with only one death. Businesses are dying, for no reason. We all know that you plan on charging lottery lines in the next few weeks. How can you possibly justify that while indoor service is still not allowed? I know the state has a huge budget shortfall because of the lottery. This could all be fixed, for the state and for businesses, if indoor service was allowed. This was supposed to be temporary. Time to show your good faith to the people of Oregon and business owners and prove that this is, indeed, temporary. Otherwise, you have no one else to blame when your citizens stop trusting you and view the government as having zero credibility.





**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:15 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Plea for Oregon kids

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Thanks,  
Renée

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 4:33 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Plea for Oregon kids  
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**From:** k arritt <[greenkar83@hotmail.com](mailto:greenkar83@hotmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:23 AM  
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**Subject:** Plea for Oregon kids

To Whom it May Concern,

Thank you for your service to the people of Oregon. I'm a long time PTO parent and volunteer at my local elementary school, Sunset Elementary. I have four children- one who is a junior, one in middle school, one in elementary and one who is a preschooler. I have been in contact with many parents, teachers, and students during this pandemic and the struggle is widespread and overwhelming. We NEED our kids back in schools. The state regulations are hurting our kids. In-person schooling is absolutely essential. I personally know many children who have developed depression. My own son told me that he's just so unmotivated now. My daughter is having huge emotional outbursts and crying that, "it's been SO long and I just want to be with my teacher!" My kid's pediatrician said she has completely overwhelmed the therapists/counselors with referrals. Teachers have confirmed that children are so behind academically. My son is taking multiple AP classes, and is not getting the "class time" he needs to prepare for these challenging tests- such a disadvantage that can absolutely affect his future. I've had friends even move their high-schoolers to other states so that they can get a chance to go to school and participate in sports.

I appreciate our amazing teachers so much. I appreciate that smaller school districts can get back to school. I appreciate that children who are SPED or ELL are able to go in person, but please, please do everything you can to help ALL children back to school. Because my kids are doing the online work, it doesn't look like they will be back to school anytime soon. This just isn't right. My nieces and nephews are attending school as normal in other states, and if other states can find a way, then why can't we? I believe we can, and I hope and pray we can. Oregon kids need it and deserve it.

Thank you for your time, Karley Arritt



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:15 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Can anyone help us?

Since this came in during comment period, sending you what I got – even though not specific to our rule:

Thanks,

Renée

-----Original Message-----

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 6:42 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Can anyone help us?

Fyi...

Thanks,

Renée

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Anna Bain <annabain999@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 11:29 PM  
**To:** governor.brown@state.or.us  
**Cc:** dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us; PIRTLE-GUINEY Elana \* GOV <Elana.PIRTLE-GUINEY@oregon.gov>; CHRISTENSEN Jody \* GOV <Jody.Christensen@oregon.gov>; Green Matthew \* OHA <MATTHEW.GREEN@dhsaha.state.or.us>; KLEIN Rosa \* GOV <Rosa.KLEIN@oregon.gov>; Fernandez Tristan <Tristan.Fernandez@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Hall Brooke M <BROOKE.M.HALL@dhsaha.state.or.us>; HORNER Leah \* GOV <Leah.Horner@oregon.gov>; WOLF-MCCORMICK Penny L \* DCBS <Penny.L.Wolf-McCormick@oregon.gov>; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS <Renee.M.Stapleton@oregon.gov>; Banks Rachael <Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us>; McLellan Jana E <JANA.E.MCLELLAN@dhsaha.state.or.us>; SAITO Akiko <Akiko.SAITO@dhsaha.state.or.us>; Patrick.Allen@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Can anyone help us?

Wealthy families in Oregon are traveling all over the country to participate in youth sports.

Poor kids in Oregon continue to suffer.

I have actively defended the decisions of our local government.

I believed in the shut downs, they were the right call.

I stay home.

I proudly wear my mask, not for me, but for others.

I encourage others to wear their masks too.

My kids and I have sacrificed a lot to keep the community safe and never complained once.

But it's time, ladies and gentlemen.

We can no longer ask the kids to sacrifice their well being. They are not as resilient as you think they are.

All my kids ask for is to play basketball.

I know it may seem small and it may be the least of your concerns, but to so many kids in Oregon, it's their whole world.

My kids are isolated and depressed. Every day they are told they still can't play simply because I can't afford to travel out of state like their friends do, they go deeper and deeper into depression.

Please  
Hear  
The  
People

We are telling you this is important.

Please open youth sports for ALL youth in Oregon, not just the wealthy.



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:14 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Be like Massachusetts - LET THEM PLAY

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Thanks,

Renée

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 6:43 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Be like Massachusetts - LET THEM PLAY

FYI...

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** Joanne Masters <[joannegmasters4@gmail.com](mailto:joannegmasters4@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 6:29 PM  
**To:** [governor.brown@state.or.us](mailto:governor.brown@state.or.us); Allen Patrick <[Patrick.Allen@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:Patrick.Allen@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; [dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us](mailto:dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us) <[dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us](mailto:dean.e.sidelinger@state.or.us)>; PIRTLE-GUINEY Elana \* GOV <[Elana.PIRTLE-GUINEY@oregon.gov](mailto:Elana.PIRTLE-GUINEY@oregon.gov)>; CHRISTENSEN Jody \* GOV <[Jody.Christensen@oregon.gov](mailto:Jody.Christensen@oregon.gov)>; Hinsz Jamie <[Jamie.Hinsz2@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:Jamie.Hinsz2@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; Green Matthew \*OHA <[MATTHEW.GREEN@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:MATTHEW.GREEN@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; PAKSERESHT Fariborz <[FARIBORZ.PAKSERESHT@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:FARIBORZ.PAKSERESHT@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; KLEIN Rosa \* GOV <[Rosa.KLEIN@oregon.gov](mailto:Rosa.KLEIN@oregon.gov)>; Stapp Nicole <[NICOLE.STAPP@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:NICOLE.STAPP@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; Fernandez Tristan <[Tristan.Fernandez@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:Tristan.Fernandez@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; Hall Brooke M <[BROOKE.M.HALL@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:BROOKE.M.HALL@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; HORNER Leah \* GOV <[Leah.Horner@oregon.gov](mailto:Leah.Horner@oregon.gov)>; WOLF-MCCORMICK Penny L \* DCBS <[Penny.L.Wolf-McCormick@oregon.gov](mailto:Penny.L.Wolf-McCormick@oregon.gov)>; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS <[Renee.M.Stapleton@oregon.gov](mailto:Renee.M.Stapleton@oregon.gov)>; [Patrick.Allen@state.or.us](mailto:Patrick.Allen@state.or.us) <[Patrick.Allen@state.or.us](mailto:Patrick.Allen@state.or.us)>; Banks Rachael <[Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; McLellan Jana E <[JANA.E.MCLELLAN@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:JANA.E.MCLELLAN@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; SAITO Akiko <[Akiko.SAITO@dhsaha.state.or.us](mailto:Akiko.SAITO@dhsaha.state.or.us)>; SEN Wagner <[Sen.RobWagner@OregonLegislature.gov](mailto:Sen.RobWagner@OregonLegislature.gov)>; REP Prusak <[Rep.RachelPrusak@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:Rep.RachelPrusak@oregonlegislature.gov)>; [bcc@clackamas.us](mailto:bcc@clackamas.us); [spresent@clackamas.us](mailto:spresent@clackamas.us)  
**Cc:** [peterw@osaa.org](mailto:peterw@osaa.org)  
**Subject:** Be like Massachusetts - LET THEM PLAY

Oregon is now one of only three states not allowing football. LET THEM PLAY!

[Mass. high school football among sports unanimously approved with modifications for Fall Sports II season, beginning Feb. 22 - masslive.com](http://masslive.com)

Sent from Mail for Windows 10







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:14 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent-kids are dying

Since this came in during comment period, sending you what I got – even though not specific to our rule:

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 6:44 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent-kids are dying

Fyi,,,

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** Janica Duncan <[janicaduncan@gmail.com](mailto:janicaduncan@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 5:49 PM  
**To:** [santa1177@comcast.net](mailto:santa1177@comcast.net)  
**Subject:** Urgent-kids are dying

Hello,

I represent over 4000 parents from a group called Let Oregon Learn. We are part of Ed300, which represents over 100 thousand Oregonians, desperate for some hope for their children.

I know that unless they are a Covid statistic, children's lives might not matter much to you. But I am so concerned that, without intervention, some of them WILL become a Covid statistic. I know that you have received hundreds, if not thousands or emails, begging you to revisit the ban on contact sports. I am not going to ask you to remove the ban on contact sports. From what I understand, there is some evidence that some indoor sports should have more testing in place before proceeding, if pandemic numbers are still high. (Such as wrestling- hopefully numbers will be low by the time it is supposed start) So I am not asking you to rescind the entire ban on contact sports. What I AM asking, is for you to allow contact football and cheerleading and then revisit the other contact sports in a month or so, once more people have been vaccinated.

Please hear me out as to why the evidence, both scientific and anecdotal, support the case for football. (And cheerleading) Several studies and examples have already shown that football and cheerleading can be played safely, without spreading Covid between team members OR contributing to community spread. We know Covid spreads far less outdoors than indoors. There is literally zero evidence to make a case as to why a continuous ban on football is preventing Covid spread, or will save lives. Although the opposite is most definitely true- if you keep this ban- Oregon kids will die. I know it with every part of me, just like the poor young man in Sheridan last week.

This is what Dr. Monica Gandhi, and infection disease expert had to say in regards to California's similar ban on contact sports...

-Dr. Monica Gandhi, an infectious disease expert at UCSF, stated that while the group's self-reported data has flaws, its findings are believable.

"Many studies show that if transmission occurs among students, it's occurring to children mostly at home and not within the activity they're doing," she said. "And in this case that's sports, but this has been reported by the CDC for schools as well."

Gandhi said there's robust literature supporting Walsh's arguments on mental health impacts, and she raised concerns over rising rates of childhood obesity. She said it would make sense for youth sports to be included in the purple tier, where in-person learning is allowed.

"The tier-based system is not based on an exact science," she said. "It's based on the principles of keeping as much outdoor activity open as you can, then making an assumption that indoors is unsafe. At this point in the pandemic, there are three big non-pharmaceutical interventions: Ventilation, masks and distancing. With the proper precautions, the safety of high school sports should be great. It looks to me like it wouldn't be hard for all those precautions to be put into place. Masks and distancing when possible, and then they have plenty of ventilation while outside."

She also said the disproportionate impact on low-income and minority student athletes has been "the most alarming trend."

Gandhi believes that like the ongoing school reopening debate, officials should consider other health risks beyond COVID-19 when making their decisions.

"My reading on this is it is essential we turn our attention to the collateral effects on children that prolonged closures cause," she said. "Sports are an important part of school activity, and study after study has found that if safety measures are in place, transmission does not occur to a high degree."

High school coaches are lobbying California officials to allow sports again. Should they?

One study showed that in over 1000 HS football games, there was no spread of Covid.

<https://www.saturdaydownsouth.com/sec-football/report-no-covid-19-outbreaks-with-over-1000-hs-football-games-played/amp/>

Another study shows that not only are sports safe, but not allowing sports increased depression by 33%.

[https://madison.com/news/local/education/local\\_schools/uw-study-high-school-sports-have-not-spread-the-covid-19-coronavirus/article\\_3b04400a-7651-50df-a2ff-01a71bf4db65.amp.html](https://madison.com/news/local/education/local_schools/uw-study-high-school-sports-have-not-spread-the-covid-19-coronavirus/article_3b04400a-7651-50df-a2ff-01a71bf4db65.amp.html)

This article highlights the safety of being outside, which I am sure you are all well aware.

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33249484/>

Based on other decisions made in Oregon by OHA, ODE and the governor, it seems likely that you only care about not spreading Covid. I get that. And I understand that somehow, to you, a death from suicide in a teen does not matter as much as if the death was caused by Covid, even if it was indirectly caused by Covid. But, for those who do care about the lasting mental health impacts of our decisions, here are some of the suicides that have occurred recently due to sports bans/school closures. (As reported by their parents) The tragic thing is, no one under 18 has died from Covid in Oregon. This week a star football player took his life in Sheridan. I would like you to look at the picture of these boys at the candlelight vigil for their teammate who killed himself this week, and explain to me if you are willing to look them in the eye and tell them that there will be no football this year, DESPITE there not being any evidence that allowing it would cause Covid spread. (With masks and limited spectators) Here are some other tragedies caused by no sports or school, many of the sports- football.

This quarterback tragically took his own life. Contact sports are currently banned in Illinois, his family believes that ban contributed to his death.

<https://www.myjournalcourier.com/insider/amp/After-student-suicides-some-ask-for-sports-15875303.php>

Here is another example of a football ban contributing to a suicide. My son is a lineman like this young man. 7 on 7 football has no place for him. I know you may not care if my son is another statistic, but I do.

<https://www.thecollegefix.com/maine-teen-commits-suicide-after-experiencing-loneliness-from-covid-restrictions/>

Here is another teenager who took his life due to no sports or school.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/illinois-mother-sues-governor-after-son-struggling-pandemic-dies-suicide-n1256190>

18 teens in Las Vegas committed suicide this last year. Several attributed their child's suicide to the cancellation of school AND sports.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/24/us/politics/student-suicides-nevada-coronavirus.amp.html>

Lastly, here are pictures from a facebook post of a friend of mine, concerning the young man from Oregon who committed suicide this week.

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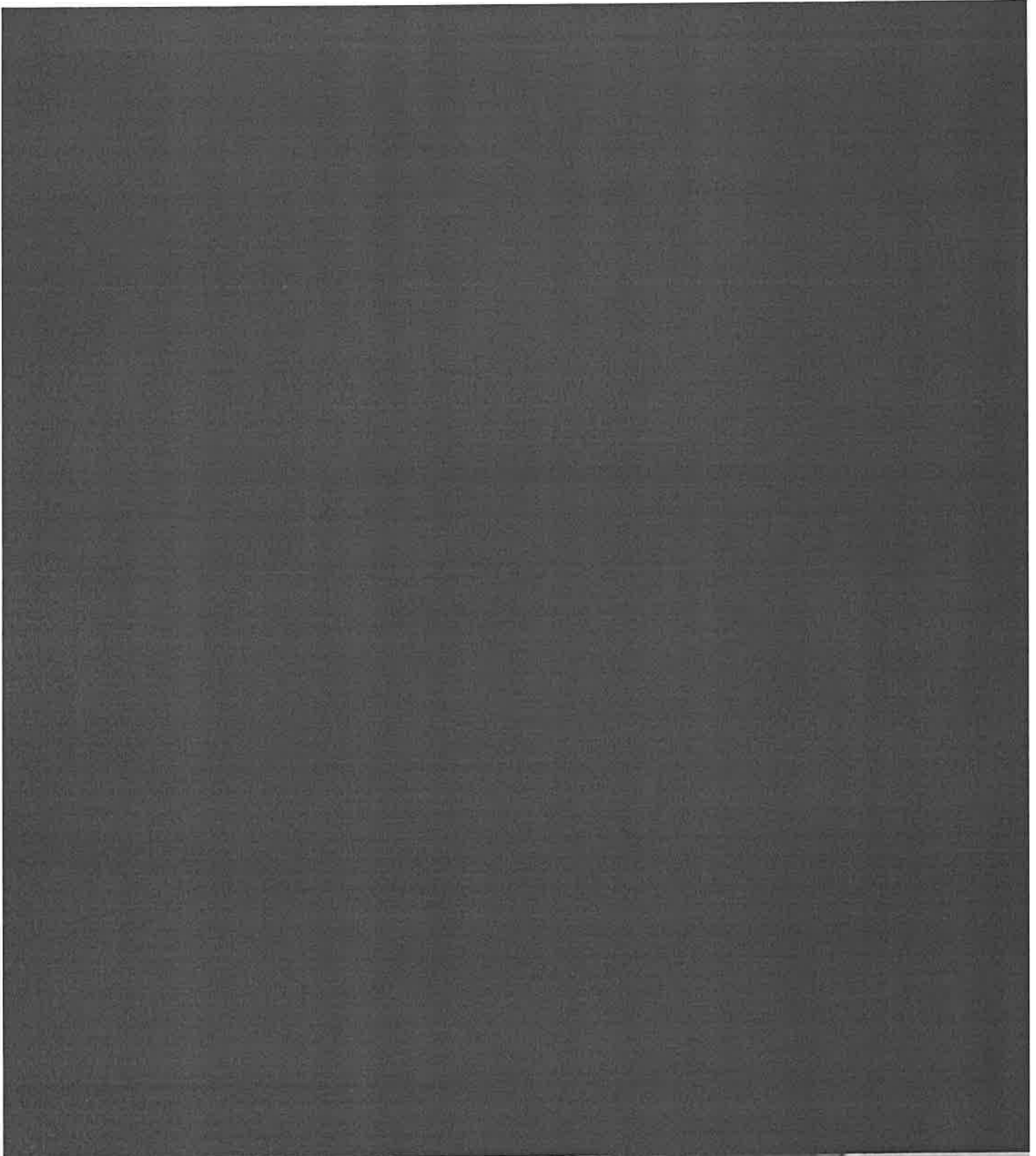
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# Carrie's Po



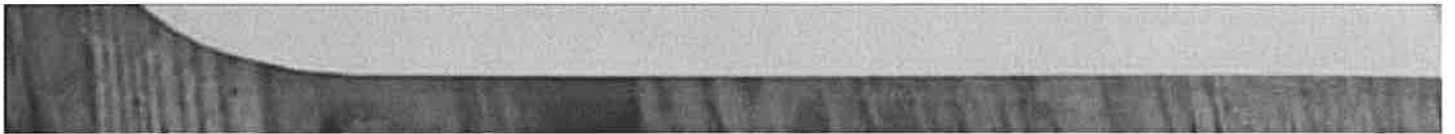
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# Carrie's Post



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greatly fear that in your concern to not spread of COVID-19 you have removed all other sense of reason and justification. When the pandemic started you said you would use science and data to form your decisions. But it seems like what you really meant is you would use fear to justify destroying lives. The data does not only not support school closures, it also does not support a ban on outdoor contact sports- even football. There are many, many, many studies that show what is happening to youth who do not have access to sports, activities, or school, including things like a rise in obesity, besides severe mental health problems. While there is no evidence that banning sports will do anything to slow the spread of Covid 19, there is ample evidence to show what will happen if sports are not allowed. My biggest fear is a suicide in my own community or other areas of Oregon. It WILL happen if you follow through with this ban, and those deaths will be on the hands of those who refused to follow science and rescind it.

I have seen some talk of this new strain, and that we need to ban sports until we see what happens. If this is what Oregon is doing than you had also better not be opening bars or restaurants until you see what the new strain does, since those HAVE been proven to spread Covid. If you continue to ban outdoor contact sports, but you allow bars and restaurants to open, you will continue to cause people to flee Oregon in record numbers.

I know you have received many messages from coaches, BEGGING you to allow sports. Please do not say that schools not starting are a reason to continue to ban football. That is a false reason and if you TRULY believe in science, you will acknowledge that schools are NOT following science by not opening, therefore sports should begin, regardless of whether or not in person learning has began at that child's school. Maybe you only care about Covid spread and numbers, but I care about children, and what you are doing to them is unconscionable. They are dying and suffering because of your decisions- none of which are doing anything to help with the spread of Covid. ALL they are doing is destroying children. If the evidence supported something different, I would be sad, but I would not bother you, trying to show you something that is untrue. But what I have said IS true, as evidenced by infection disease doctors and statistics. Please, do the right thing, and allow teens to participate in sports and remove football from the contact sport ban- we have to give our youth something to live for. Oregon has been causing hopelessness in children for almost a year- it is time to put our children first and allow them to return to school and sports that provide scholarships and motivation to do well in school. Anything less demonstrates an unwillingness to commit to science OR basic humanity. I am genuinely terrified for what will happen if you do not allow football, and then revisit the indoor sports ban at a later date. Oregon youth deserve better than what this state has offered. They deserve leaders who are both compassionate AND follow science and data. Please do both and help save our youth- I know it is cliché, but you literally are their only hope.

Sincerely,  
Janica Duncan  
Let Oregon Learn







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 7:13 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: High School Sports

Since this came in during comment period, sending you what I got – even though not specific to our rule:

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Monday, February 8, 2021 6:48 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: High School Sports

Fyi...

Thanks,

Renée

**From:** Brenda Brunner <[brendabrunnerpdx@gmail.com](mailto:brendabrunnerpdx@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 2:12 PM  
**To:** [Governor.Brown@state.or.us](mailto:Governor.Brown@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** High School Sports

A week from today football practice is scheduled to start for OSAA athletes. While I don't have a football player, I have watched these kids train for the last several months, following the health mandates, all in anticipation of this date. It has already been delayed once and many of them look to the February 8th date as the final date to make this season work. Please follow the lead of so many other states in following the science that football can be played safely.

This week we lost another young life of an athlete. Not from Covid, but because he had lost hope. The mental toll this lockdown is taking on our youth is heartbreaking. My freshman daughter athlete has been dealing with anxiety and depression for the first time in her life. We struggled to find her any therapy as the numbers of youth seeking help has skyrocketed. She has ended up with a mediocre online therapist while we look at other options.

I understand there are many schools/districts that may not feel comfortable returning to sports, but please allow those schools/districts/coaches that know they can return and do it safely to be given the option. After giving up a year of their education and activities in order to keep others safe, we now have enough science and experience to give sports back as a thank you for their sacrifice. We can't allow more youth to take their lives because of these decisions. Thank you.

Brenda Brunner





**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 7:39 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: No to permanent 35 square feet and 100 person cohort requirements

Comment on Covid Rule

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** kim.m.kennedy@gmail.com  
**Date:** February 11, 2021 at 7:22:00 AM PST  
**To:** kim.m.kennedy@gmail.com  
**Subject:** No to permanent 35 square feet and 100 person cohort requirements

I am writing regarding the OSHA proposal to make the 35 square feet and the 100 person cohort requirements permanent until the rules are rescinded. I am hearing from Beaverton School District that these requirements prevent them from opening middle and high schools. Additionally these rules mean that NO students will be able to go to full-time in-person school until these are repealed. Washington and California do not have a specific cohort requirement and we need to follow their lead if we want Oregon schools to open. Many states are successfully using a 3 feet distancing requirement and have their students in school full-time. It would be a disservice to sacrifice Oregon children by making these rules permanent.

The rules indicate that they are to "address the pandemic," but who knows how long they will last, and they are lumped in with a bunch of workplace rules, which could and maybe should last longer than school rules given the limited transmission and risk to kids. Now that teachers are getting vaccinated, these rules are even more senseless than they were before. Oregon needs to get kids back in school and we certainly cannot make these rules permanent.

Kim Kennedy





**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 6:09 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA proposed changes

COVID rule comment

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** karin.oloughlin@frontier.com  
**Date:** February 10, 2021 at 5:36:21 PM PST  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>, WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>, BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>, Colt.Gill@ode.state.or.us, Allen Patrick <Patrick.Allen@dhsosha.state.or.us>  
**Subject:** OSHA proposed changes

Dear Mr. Allen and Mr. Gill, Mr. Stolfi, Ms. Baker,  
I urge you to please stop Oregon OHSA from making permanent the current Covid workplace rules, especially Appendix A-13 Mandatory Workplace Guidance for K-12 Educational Institutions. All schools MUST be able to open in-person, in full (5 days a week) and these rules would prohibit that unnecessarily. In addition, the RSSL guidelines must be updated to reflect the mountains of scientific evidence that has emerged indicating that Covid does not spread in schools. In fact, Dr. Fauci has said that entire communities are healthier if kids are physically in school. **Children are suffering mental health crises, incredible learning loss, and exacerbated inequities.** These proposed rules are out of date with what the current science says and I believe they are a gross overreach.

And let's not forget that Oregon decided to vaccinate its teachers ahead of more vulnerable constituents. So the "threat" to teachers' safety (that didn't exist in the first place) is effectively reduced to zero.

For all of these reasons, I BEG you to do the right things: update RSSL and reject making OHSA Covid rules permanent. Make it possible for all schools (K-12) to reopen in-person 5 days a week. Do the **right** thing for Oregon's children and finally give them a much needed voice.

I have included a link to Utah High School UHSAA protocols for winter sports (our OSAA equivalent). It's a simple 8 page document outlining rules for athletes, spectators, administrators and officials. And Utah covid rates are currently running higher than Oregon (per the CDC, per 100,000).

<https://uhsaa.org/news/uploads/UHSAA%20Return%20to%20Play%20Document%20Winter%20Sport-by-Sport%20USSA%20UHSAA%20Plan.pdf>

Thank you for your consideration  
Karin O'Loughlin



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 8:37 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA rules

Comment on COVID rule

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Joe and Christina Kennedy <JOENTINA99@msn.com>  
**Date:** February 10, 2021 at 8:26:26 PM PST  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>, STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>, BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** OSHA rules

Hi there,

I am writing to beg you to repeal the new guidelines that OSHA would like to continue that would keep kids out of schools in the fall full-time if there are any Covid cases lurking around still. PLEASE reconsider based on science and data and almost a year of information! My family really doesn't want to move out of Oregon, we consider this our home but if our kids can't be in school and sports full-time we will be forced to move. We can't keep depriving them of a full education by staying here--it feels almost like a form of child abuse. Please consider repealing.

Thank you.  
Christina Kennedy  
1st grade teacher  
Bend, OR







**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 7:40 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed rules comment

Comment (added to one already made)

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Cari Miller <carimiller7@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** February 11, 2021 at 7:06:13 AM PST  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>, WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>, BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Proposed rules comment

Hello!

i sent the following comment yesterday to both the public comment email and separately to Gov Brown. I wanted to make sure you all were aware of how detrimental this language would be in the fight to get our kids back to school. Gov Brown tweeted yesterday that she wanted us parents to continue the fight and that's what I'm doing. My daughter (a shy, only child) emotionally needs to get back in a classroom NOW.

thank you for reading this  
Cari Miller

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** Cari Miller <carimiller7@yahoo.com>  
**To:** tech.web@oregon.gov <tech.web@oregon.gov>  
**Cc:** Cari Miller <carimiller7@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021, 01:52:12 PM EST  
**Subject:** Proposed rules comment

Department of Consumer and Business Services/Oregon:

OHSA has proposed very strict new permanent workplace rules, including strict school rules, that make the 35 square feet and 100 person cohort permanent until the rules are rescinded. As schools are already subject to RSSL they should just reference that and reserve the right to impose own restrictions as needed.

Our kids need to get back in the classroom. Please do the right thing and help us by not making this language permanent.

Sincerely

Cari Miller

Single mom of Freshman daughter @ Sunset High School



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Sarah Myers <sarahpmyers@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 6:36 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Public comments

Hello,  
Please do not make these changes apply to schools. Kids under 12 generally do not transmit covid, the kids are in stable cohorts, are masked, and teachers have the opportunity to be vaccinated. Kids need to be in school FULL TIME!!!  
Best,  
Sarah Myers





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Danielle Vidali <daniellevidali541@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 8:28 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** School rules

I'm a parent of a 5th, 9th&10th grader. My kids absolutely need in person learning and socialization with their peers. I've seen severe withdraw and depression over the past 10 months. Going back to school has been a bright light and hope for normalcy returning. Making more stipulations within the walls of the school will just create a horrible learning environment. Our children have already lost out on a year of learning and true education. They are falling behind the rest of the nation. How will they exceed if all these distractive rules are placed in front of education? The teachers were placed above elderly and some vulnerable immune deficiency people in order to get vaccinated. Why did our communities do this if we were just going to take 10 steps backwards?

The survival rate for covid-19 is still over 98%. Influenza A is still and will always remain in our society. Let's not ruin our youth and their future over a virus that will subside, just like bird flu and swine flu.

Put the children first for once. They have sacrificed enough.

Thank you  
Danielle Vidali  
Bend, Oregon





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 7:54 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** COVID rule comments

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Palmer Vilagi <palmervilagi@hotmail.com>  
**Date:** February 9, 2021 at 11:46:39 PM PST  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Hey

Michael you need to stop your lie based tyranny. Stop making more "permanent" COVID rules for the flu!

Palmer Vilagi  
Real Estate Investor  
541-760-7408

"Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive, and go do that, because what the world needs is people who have come alive."

- Howard Thurman





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 1:31 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Let them learn and play!

Comment on COVID rule

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Adriana <ferrerosab@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 1:19 PM  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>; WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Let them learn and play!

As a concerned parent of a current high schooler, I am writing to voice my support for returning back to in-person school and sports. All scientific data points to the fact that schools should reopen. Here in Oregon, our schools have been closed for almost a full year now. Our children are not okay!

I fully support lifting all restrictions on high school sports as well. Physical activity is essential for our youth, both for physical and mental health. It has been proven that sports can be played safely, as most states have already done. Please don't put Oregon's children behind the rest of the country. They deserve the same opportunities as all other states have, not to mention that these restrictions are costing our lower income youth most, the ones who don't have the means to play for private clubs and travel out of state.

Finally, I sincerely hope that the things I am hearing about these restrictions becoming permanent are inaccurate. It is ridiculous to keep our kids in limbo and never return to a sense of normalcy. The damage being done by these restrictions cannot be looked at as a separate issue from these COVID precautions, as many are causing more harm than the virus itself.

I am aware that some families are not comfortable with returning to school or playing contact sports and that is okay! Families must be given the freedom to do what is right for their children. Please don't let our children down!

Thank you,  
Adriana Ferrero

Sent from my iPad





**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 12:47 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: Let Oregon's children learn

Comment on COVID rule

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Melinda Magaddino <mandymagaddino@icloud.com>  
**Date:** February 10, 2021 at 12:42:07 PM PST  
**To:** BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>, WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>, STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Let Oregon's children learn

Dear Oregon policy makers,

Please stop Oregon OSHA from making permanent the current Covid workplace rules, especially Appendix A-13 Mandatory Workplace Guidance for K-12 Educational Institutions. All schools MUST be able to open in-person, in full (5 days a week) and these rules would prohibit that unnecessarily. In addition, the RSSL guidelines must be updated to reflect the mountains of scientific evidence that has emerged indicating that Covid does not spread in schools. In fact, Dr. Fauci has said that entire communities are healthier if kids are physically in school. Children are suffering mental health crises, incredible learning loss, and exacerbated inequities.

And let's not forget that Oregon decided to vaccinate its teachers ahead of more vulnerable constituents. So the "threat" to teachers' safety (that didn't exist in the first place) is effectively reduced to zero.

For all of these reasons, I BEG you to do the right things: update RSSL and reject making OSHA Covid rules permanent. Make it possible for all schools (K-12) to reopen in-person 5 days a week. Do the right thing for Oregon's children.





**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 7:55 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA Tyranny

COVID rulemaking comments

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** John Winterbourne <jrpwinterbourne@gmail.com>  
**Date:** February 9, 2021 at 8:26:24 PM PST  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>  
**Subject: Re: OSHA Tyranny**

With all due respect, that "rule making authority" does not give you the right to make mandates in violation of the US Constitution, which is what you are proposing in regards to workplace masks. That would be the role of the legislature, which would then be tested in the US Supreme Court.

Resistance to tyrants is obedience to God!

On Feb 9, 2021, at 4:22 PM, WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov> wrote:

Mr. Winterbourne:

Actually, the law directs the agency to adopt rules and to enforce the rules we adopt.

I do not have legislative authority, as you note, nor have I ever claimed to have such authority.

I do, however, have rulemaking authority, conferred on the agency in the law passed by the legislature.

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
(503)947-7400 (desk)  
(971)707-0996 (mobile voice and text)

On Feb 9, 2021, at 3:14 PM, John Winterbourne  
<jrpwinterbourne@gmail.com> wrote:

You, sir, do not have the authority to legislate as you are not a legislator. You are an administrator, and your job is to follow the rules, not make them. Anything you do outside of that purview is illegal. The People of Oregon are no longer asleep. Take note.

Resistance to tyrants is obedience to God!



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 1:56 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA will ruin our kids

Comment on COVID rule

Michael Wood, Administrator, Oregon OSHA  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Tracy <wilich@comcast.net>  
**Date:** February 10, 2021 at 1:37:37 PM PST  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** OSHA will ruin our kids

Please stop Oregon OSHA from making permanent the current Covid workplace rules, especially Appendix A-13 Mandatory Workplace Guidance for K-12 Educational Institutions. Once in place it will be too difficult to cancel them in a timely manner and will once again interfere with any chance we have of getting kids back to a normal school schedule. All schools MUST be able to open in-person, in full (5 days a week) and these rules would prohibit that unnecessarily. In addition, the RSSL guidelines must be updated to reflect the mountains of scientific evidence that has emerged indicating that Covid does not spread in schools. Dr. Fauci has said that entire communities are healthier if kids are physically in school. Children are suffering mental health crises, incredible learning loss, and exacerbated inequities.

Oregon decided to vaccinate its teachers ahead of vulnerable people so what exactly are the teachers worried about given that they will all be vaccinated and so will the kids at some point. Does Oregon want to pretend that we will live under the COVID dark cloud for all of eternity when the rest of the nation is moving on?

Our state, particularly Portland, is a joke among other states. We have completely failed at getting kids back to school. It's embarrassing that governance has been led by consensus of the fearful, uninformed public who refuse to follow the science and who apparently never want this to end.

Private schools should also be able to have choice since the teacher's union does not dictate what they do.

Tracy Williams  
Angry mom

Sent from my iPad







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Laura Greyerbiehl <clgreyerbiehl@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 12:37 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** OSHA Covid 19 Guidelines

Dear Representatives ,

I am a para educator who knows first hand how important it is to get our kids back into the classroom for in-person school. Remote learning is simply not working for many kids who are being left behind.

Please don't create another obstacle for us to overcome to get kids back to the classroom. Let us have spacing metrics that allow all Oregon kids to attend school in person.

Sincerely,  
Laura Greyerbiehl  
Para educator  
West Linn-Wilsonville School District



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Lori Greenfield <lorig@protectorsins.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 9:20 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** OSHA Covid Temporary Rule

I am writing to have my voice heard that I am NOT in favor of OSHA changing the temporary rule to permanent. I do NOT feel protected by this rule but feel violated of freedom. I am not in favor of having my safety dictated by OSHA or the governor.

I hope you get flooded with similar emails.

Registered voter and responsibly employed citizen,

Lori Greenfield  
3009 Colonial Ave  
Medford, OR 97504





**From:** Janica Duncan <janicaduncan@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 12:03 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Cc:** colt.gill@ode.state.or.us; governor.brown@state.or.us  
**Subject:** OSHA rules will destroy Oregon

I am writing regarding the draft for OSHA rules that would become permanent. I cannot understand the need for these rules to be put in place after May, as we will not be at the height of the pandemic and soon most people will be able to receive the vaccine. The only purpose of these rules seems to be to destroy small businesses and not allow children to ever return to normal school. We have already seen how the overreach and mismanagement of Governor Brown has been extremely detrimental to our state. Utah has had businesses open with APPROPRIATE measures in place (such as masks) and has less deaths per capita than Oregon. The incompetency of leaders in Oregon seems to know no bounds. If this is approved, small businesses that are already struggling will not be able to afford all additional protocols and cleaning. The CDC has said over-cleaning is not necessary, yet you want to make it a law, AFTER the height of the pandemic? This makes no sense.

As for schools, the 35sq ft requirement and 100 person cohort is already greatly harming our students, as it is making it impossible for schools to open. If there was a requirement of 3-6 ft, that could be thought reasonable. But these measures do NOTHING except limit children's chance at an education.

These draconian measures for work places made sense last March, when we didn't know what were dealing with. Now that those who are highest risk are being vaccinated and cases are continuing to drop, measures like this are not only draconian, they are not based on science or logic. Particularly concerning is that there is no end date. Who is to say that when Covid is not around, you will decide to keep these rules because of the flu? There is zero way these measures will benefit anyone, but they certainly will destroy lives by harming businesses and continue to harm children.

Regretfully,  
Janica Duncan

Sent from my iPhone



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** Trisha N <trishjn@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 9:28 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** public comment

OHSA,

The 35 square foot and 100 person cohort must be rescinded. These rules are not needed and restrict our children attending school. Teacher were prioritized to get vaccinated and these rules no longer apply. They cannot be made permanent. Our kids have already suffered a year and continue to for the foreseeable future by our districts. These rules are one of many they are clinging to that cannot be met. Please rescind them to get our children back into the classroom.

Regards,  
Trisha Snyder





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Scott Hoffschneider <jebuscrepes@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 5:57 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Covid 19 rule

I absolutely oppose this and demand an end to a mask requirement. I demand my freedom to choose whether a mask is right for me or not. Every one of you has overstepped your authority regarding this and it must end.

Lorne S. Hoffschneider,





**From:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Oregon OSHA proposes permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in all workplaces

Additional comment/proposed permanent COVID-19 rule.

**From:** Roberta Maple <robmapel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 5:07 PM  
**To:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS <Aaron.Corvin@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Oregon OSHA proposes permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in all workplaces



# U.S. CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTION

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Learn about your rights at [www.TheHealthyAmerica.org](http://www.TheHealthyAmerica.org)

On Tuesday, February 9, 2021, 04:58:34 PM PST, Roberta Maple <[robmapel@yahoo.com](mailto:robmapel@yahoo.com)> wrote:

Osha

is overstepping their boundaries by trying to implement this temporary rule with a permanent rule. I believe this to be totally illegal and unconstitutional.

Please reconsider about this you are about to do something that should never be done. I for one am opposing this because I have the right to decide how and when and what I do for my body. For the health and any other issues should only be decided by me.

Roberta Maple



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 5:06 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: Oregon OSHA proposes permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in all workplaces

Comment/proposed permanent rule.

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**From:** Roberta Maple <robmapel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 4:58:34 PM  
**To:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS <Aaron.Corvin@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Oregon OSHA proposes permanent rule addressing COVID-19 in all workplaces

Osha  
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Roberta Maple





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** Marcia Callender <mncallender@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 6:21 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Proposed rules change

I certainly appreciate COVID and the impact on our communities. I strongly disagree with proposed permanent rule change as it pertains to schools. Most schools in Oregon have not been in person for nearly a year, causing great harm and potential lifelong inequities/damage for children. The rule to have 35 sq feet and 100 person cohorts will prevent kids from returning to class rooms.

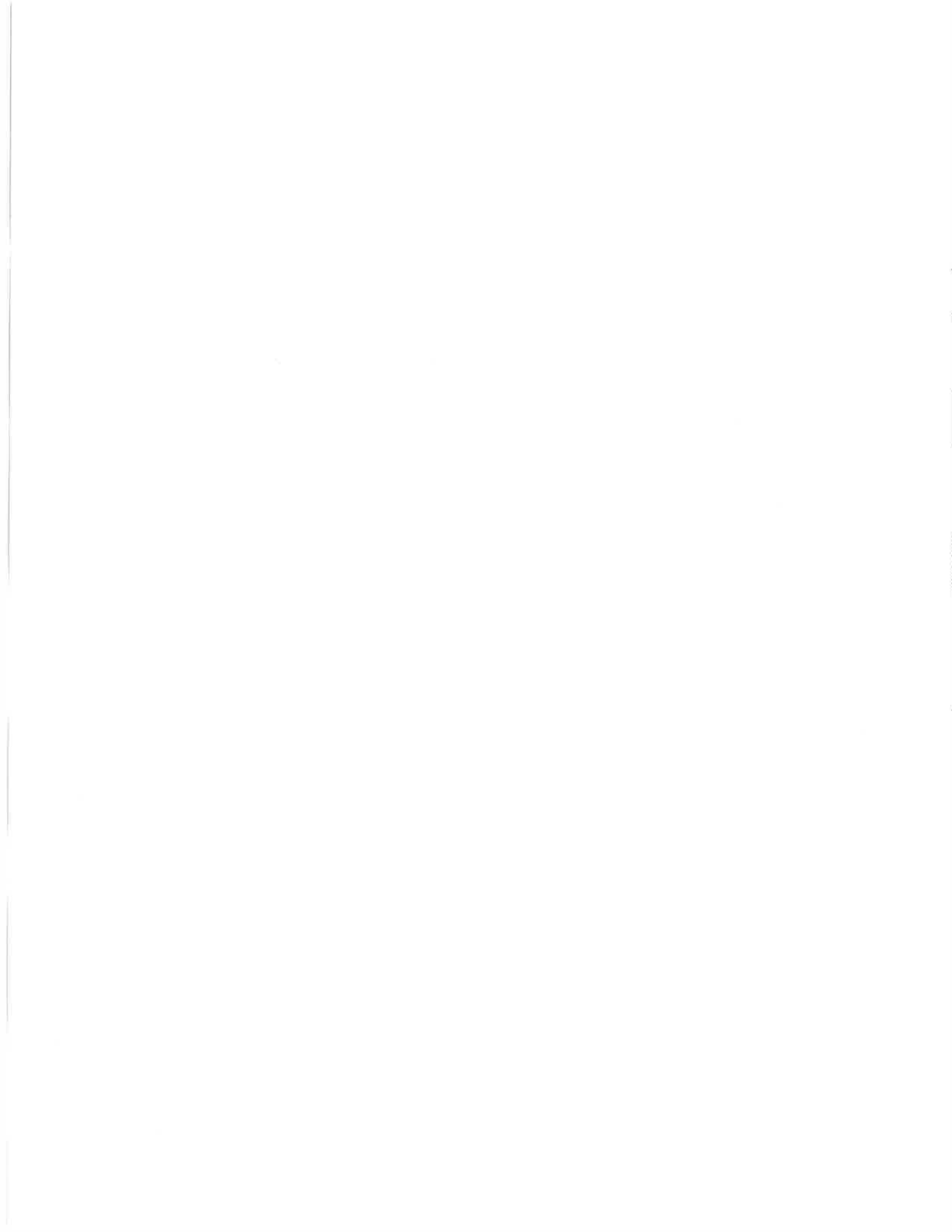
There is already the ODE and the CDC addressing school issues we do not need a third governmental agency being involved. Not to mention the teachers unions making this complex issue even more difficult to navigate.

Schools are much different than workplaces. You aren't addressing prisons. Please do not include schools in these workplace rules, this seems to be better addressed in other areas.

Kids need to be in school its been nearly a year, the bureaucracy being created is making this even more difficult. Yes protect workers but leave the unique situation of schools up to the CDC and the Oregon Department of education.

Best regards,

Marcia Callender  
Beaverton ORE





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** Jennifer Buchanan <jenniferbuchananpea@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 5:40 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Students using cleaning chemicals?

Are children under 18 allowed to sanitize desks and chairs with a bleach solution? The district plans on having teachers spray desks, while children wipe them with a rag.  
Is this legal to do?

Sent from my iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 8:20 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Educators threatened for bringing HEPA filters to their classroom

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 4:18:45 PM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** GILL Colt - ODE; CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; NINE Scott - ODE; Banks Rachael; SIDELINGER DEAN E; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; Engineering Dean; HAWKINS Craig; jgreen@osba.org; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon; Jeanne Thomas L  
**Subject:** Re: Educators threatened for bringing HEPA filters to their classroom

They are simply being told no.

You seem to think that district leadership engages with and listens to staff. In some well run districts this is the case. Fortunately.

However in far too many districts the perspective of leadership appears to be “I decide what will be done and you are not to question.”

Staff are also not being provided with independent analyses of the ventilation system or concerns.

It appears that in some districts no substantive action is being taken related to ventilation.

This is based on what I am being told. Salem Keizer has told staff no HEPA filters in classrooms - staff have reported that they have no windows and clearly, from their perspective, inadequate ventilation. And no answers being provided.

Just “trust us.”

The trust in many districts is in the basement. There is no trust. Now is the time for clear presentation of an independent analysis of ventilation and rationale for plans.

Why would districts not install HEPA filters??

It makes no sense.

[https://www.cps.edu/press-releases/chicago-public-schools-invests-\\$82.5-million-to-provide-hepa-air-purifiers-for-every-classroom/](https://www.cps.edu/press-releases/chicago-public-schools-invests-$82.5-million-to-provide-hepa-air-purifiers-for-every-classroom/)

Note that Chicago was on top of the ventilation issue early on.

When is or was the presentation of Dr. Corsi to Oregon’s superintendents? If you wanted to push teachers and students into schools, why was this concern not higher on the list of priorities?

I wrote to Dr. Corsi after his testimony. He told me that he was frustrated that districts had not reached out and that some were spending lots of money on ineffective solutions.

So there is good reason for staff to raise questions and ask for and demand independent verification. Unfortunately this may come from the companies that are selling ineffective equipment to the districts.

In far too many districts there is simply no trust. Staff do not trust that the leadership is doing the right things or cares for their well-being or that if their students.

This is a concern that is going to result in profound difficulties for a very long time. I know you do not want to hear this. This is what I have been trying to tell you I am seeing — consistently since August.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2021, at 6:09 AM, GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us> wrote:

Nancy-

The staff should talk directly with the district to better understand what is behind this action and the steps the district is taking across its schools to work through airflow and ventilation challenges. It is likely to look different in different buildings and rooms based on a number of factors.

Douglas county's case rates have been relatively stable over the last three 14-day look-back reporting periods:

195.1  
156.8  
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Thanks,  
Colt

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 7:11 PM

**To:** colt.gill@state.or.us; lindsey.d.capps@oregon.gov; shadiin.garcia@state.or.us; NINE Scott - ODE <Scott.Nine@ode.state.or.us>; Rachael.Banks@dhsosha.state.or.us; SIDELINGER DEAN E <dean.e.sidelinger@dhsosha.state.or.us>; Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov; Engineering Dean <engdean@pdx.edu>; Craig Hawkins <craig@cosa.k12.or.us>; jgreen@osba.org; SEN Dembrow <Sen.MichaelDembrow@oregonlegislature.gov>; REP AlonsoLeon <Rep.TeresaAlonsoLeon@oregonlegislature.gov>; thomas.l.jeanne@dhsosha.state.or.us

**Subject:** Educators threatened for bringing HEPA filters to their classroom

How is it that districts can threaten school staff for bringing in protective filters to protect themselves and their students?

What possible logic can there be to this?

Or are you going to go back on your statement and say that under local control districts have the right to refuse to allow teachers to purchase a technology that experts say will help their classroom be safer?

Apparently also the community cases in Douglas county are exploding - after Roseburg opened school on January 25. 70

in the last 2 days. Also 7 cases in the schools - so more than one case for every 2 days. Reportedly also an explosion in Curry county.

Another report came to me that an elementary principal told her staff that they could not force students to wear masks. I have asked for more information.

Colt, can teachers who purchase HEPA filters for the protection of themselves and their students send the invoice to ODE?

Nancy

<image001.png>

Sent from my iPhone





**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 11:01 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Bend LaPine

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 7:00:10 PM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; NINE Scott - ODE; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; Banks Rachael; Jeanne Thomas L; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon; Lora Nordquist  
**Subject:** Re: Bend LaPine

I just went back and realized that a comment had also been posted by a parent on Monday. Her son is a senior. He started in hybrid in Monday.

He reported to his mom that students were not wearing masks. Not social distancing. And no enforcement.

Teacher not wearing mask. Vice principal walking in and not saying anything.

Concerns being expressed that students who want safety protocols to be enforced will be treated badly by those who want no safety protocols.

Concern that reporting concerns will lead to retaliation.

Many members of the community are going to be upset with each other now.

All of which could be avoided by keeping students in distance learning.

The latest report by the mom was that her son was in a cohort that was exposed.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2021, at 10:37 AM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

I am going to push back even further on your claim of effectiveness.

There was already a low level of trust by staff of district leadership in this district. And some very excellent educators who are planning their exits.

There were reportedly still some staff who were not following or enforcing safety protocols. And this is high school in a rural community. So obviously student compliance with protocols was going to be a concern — more obvious as evidenced by the party.

By communicating to the community that it is safe to open schools in person you could also have created the misperception that such things as parties were also safe.

The party was on the weekend. The school closed on Wednesday. So there were two days that many infected students were possibly infecting others. Lots of students apparently.

Now you have the entire staff worried for the next weeks regarding whether they got infected, may end up with life long disabilities, may die, having to isolate from their family, not hug their kids, worried they could get sick without symptoms and infect a family member.

And the word is that parents are quietly telling other parents not to get their kids tested because this will just delay the reopening of school and the possibility of students playing football.

There was an earlier situation in this district where an elementary student who was in school on Wednesday, got sick towards the weekend, told the school on Monday they had tested positive and someone in the district decided that the student probably was not infectious on Wednesday, and so no one should be told. But of course this slipped out.

And I am now receiving reports of significant outbreaks also in Estacada. But they have stopped releasing any public reports.

Every time a staff member is quarantined that staff member gets to spend the next 10 days terrified they will get sick and having to avoid their family.

I encouraged you last summer to make sure that teachers had creative authentic project based learning activities planned - not overwhelming reliance on live streamed lessons. All through the fall I was pressuring you to pay more attention to improving the quality of distance learning. I tried to connect you to university faculty with expertise.

Last summer I also encouraged you to have all districts at the county level engage in planning with all of the regions social service agencies and organizations so that there was a comprehensive region wide plan to ensure that families or students at risk would be promptly identified and supports provided.

You have not listened. And now you try to tell me that the situation in Bend LaPine is a great example of how things should work???

Bend LaPine needs to return to LIPI until the county case rate is down.

They never should have been encouraged to be a leader in demonstrating the path forward.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2021, at 8:48 AM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

This appears to be a good example of why schools should not open until case counts are down and should not open in communities where students and their families are unlikely to be compliant with protective measures when outside of school.



How much learning time has been lost? How can this disruption in learning be justified? Do you think it is great for students, families, and staff to have to bounce back and forth like this?

How is this providing consistency to students?

What are the emotions of staff to have been forced to return to school with leadership telling them this will be safe?

Only to have this happen?

I suppose you also consider Roseburg to be an example. Seven positive cases since they opened January 25.

<https://www.google.com/amp/www.kezi.com/templates/AMP%3fcontentID=57376354>  
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The problem is that not all positive cases are going to be identified. We know the cases are expanding in the community. What percentage of infected students or staff are going to be asymptomatic?

If they are finding this many infections, how many are in the school and not being found?

And now the Governor has thrown the districts that have been making safe choices under the bus of pressure from athlete parents!!!

Why can't Oregon make safe choices? Adjust what is not working in distance learning. Provide more outreach to students and families that are suffering. Focus your energies on the huge task of figuring out how to have a positive return next fall.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2021, at 8:32 AM, GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us> wrote:

Nancy-

This appears to be a good example of following the health and safety protocols. I urge others included on this email to read the article. The school is responding to a community outbreak (possibly related to a weekend party) and is closing beyond direct contacts out of an abundance of caution. Our schools will see cases introduced to their campuses. We can do a lot to mitigate spread by following the health and safety protocols. Quarantines and testing are a part of that effort.

Thanks,  
Colt

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 8:25 AM

**To:** GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us>  
**Cc:** lindsey.d.capps@oregon.gov; NINE Scott - ODE  
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AlonsoLeon <Rep.TeresaAlonsoLeon@oregonlegislature.gov>; Lora  
Nordquist <lora.nordquist@bend.k12.or.us>  
**Subject:** Bend LaPine  
Hmm. So this is the example that is being set?  
[https://centraloregondaily.com/summit-hs-cancels-in-person-classes-  
due-to-covid-outbreak/](https://centraloregondaily.com/summit-hs-cancels-in-person-classes-due-to-covid-outbreak/)

Bend-La Pine School District is Oregon's fifth largest school district. They understand they are setting an example for schools across the region and state. They are also a district they is focused on their national reputation. I believe they will take action to quickly correct misalignment with safety protocols.

Thanks,  
Colt

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Nickels, Bobbi <nickelsb@pacificu.edu>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 13, 2021 2:19 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Face Shields

I read in the local newspaper that OSHA is considering banning face shields. I am contacting you to ask that this not happen. If anything, maybe you could require that face shields NOT BE WORN WITHOUT A MASK. I am 73, have been sheltered in for a year, and seldom venture out except when I go for a Dr. appointment or occasional post office trip. I wear 2 masks and my face shield. I am short, so I feel like the face shield adds extra protection from droplets that may be expelled from people taller than me. I feel that adding the face shield adds protection in case my mask isn't fitting tightly, and it definitely provides protection for my eyes... which my mask does not.

Please see that my comments are forwarded to the appropriate decision-makers. If you don't feel face shields provide enough protection, mandate that they MUST be worn WITH a mask. Don't ban them completely!

Thank you,

Roberta Nickels





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 7:07 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Another district in trouble

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 7:05:46 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** thomas.jeanne@dhsosha.state.or.us; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; GILL Colt - ODE; Banks Rachael  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 10:08 PM  
**To:** thomas.jeanne@dhsosha.state.or.us; Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov; colt.gill@state.or.us; Banks Rachael <Rachael.Banks@dhsosha.state.or.us>  
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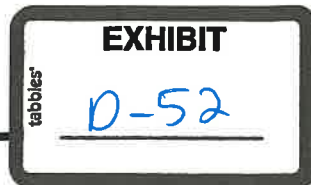
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**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
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**Cc:** thomas.jeanne@dhsaha.state.or.us; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; GILL Colt - ODE; Banks Rachael  
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I have told them to file complaints. The staff are not concerned. They do not believe in masks. There is NO way to protect students. And OSHA can't really do much except for issue a citation. These folks plan to open further in several weeks.

How can parents who are concerned force the district or someone to have district employees and other parents from cyberbullying them. Litigation?

The new issue here is the district supporting cyberbullying of parents.

Okay. I will contact OTLA.

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 7:12 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Educators threatened for bringing HEPA filters to their classroom

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:10:44 AM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE; CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; scott.nine@ode.state.or.us; Banks Rachael; SIDELINGER DEAN E; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; Engineering Dean; HAWKINS Craig; jgreen@osba.org; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon; Jeanne Thomas L  
**Subject:** Educators threatened for bringing HEPA filters to their classroom

How is it that districts can threaten school staff for bringing in protective filters to protect themselves and their students?

What possible logic can there be to this?

Or are you going to go back on your statement and say that under local control districts have the right to refuse to allow teachers to purchase a technology that experts say will help their classroom be safer?

Apparently also the community cases in Douglas county are exploding - after Roseburg opened school on January 25. 70 in the last 2 days. Also 7 cases in the schools - so more than one case for every 2 days. Reportedly also an explosion in Curry county.

Another report came to me that an elementary principal told her staff that they could not force students to wear masks. I have asked for more information.

Colt, can teachers who purchase HEPA filters for the protection of themselves and their students send the invoice to ODE?

Nancy



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SKSD was informed that hepa filters will be for special programs, not regular ed rooms. If we bring our own it is an OSHA fine. How can protecting our children be wrong?

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**Kara Dickey**

I asked this question today too. I'm being moved to a classroom with no window.

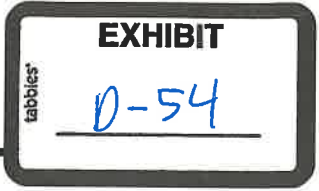
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**Nancy Willard** 

How can this be a OSHA fine situation?



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 8:46 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: New question -- about trends

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 4:45:00 PM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; NINE Scott - ODE; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; Banks Rachael; Jeanne Thomas L; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon  
**Subject:** Re: New question -- about trends

The question is not when to return to in-person. The question is when to return to CDL because infections are increasing And not under control.

I assume no standards. Once open, never close. Will it take serious hospitalization of a student or staff person to close? Or will even that not be enough to stop this madness?

There are frequent comments in Oregon Safe Return about students not wearing masks or social distancing. If those two critical basics are not being effectively implemented then it is highly likely that many of your 160 protocols are not also.

Are you trying to achieve some kind of a record in number of protocols to somehow prove you have things under control?

It appears that the biggest problem that is emerging is not transmission at school. It is that in communities with significant spread children are coming to school infected. This appears to be related to lack of effective testing and contact tracing in communities. Or lack of willingness of parents to test.

And the typical behavior of parents -- sending sick children to school. Then there are the one third that have no symptoms.

The result is bouncing around between in person and quarantine. When in quarantine, the terror that you may have gotten infected. When in school the fear you could be infected. This is not a healthy environment for students or staff.

Massive testing in Bend to try to stop what could clearly be a super spreader event. Students were reportedly hanging out in the parking lot with no masks and no distancing. No enforcement of protocols either. If there was, students would have likely just gone off campus.

David Douglas just voted to remain in CDL for the rest of the year, with LIPI for struggling students. YEAH!!! Now they will be able to best support their students and families. And their staff.

They can turn some of their attention to planning for next year — which will be really challenging.

THIS IS TRUE LEADERSHIP!!!! Looking at the data and the implications and doing the RIGHT thing!!!!

I hope other districts will follow.

Really good news about their wise leadership.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 12, 2021, at 7:54 AM, GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us> wrote:

Nancy

Schools have local authority to make decisions about when to return to in-person instruction. The section of RSSL guidance you pasted below is advisory, not mandatory. Schools must follow required portions of the guidance that include over 160 protocols to help mitigate transmission in a school setting and require specific isolation/quarantine protocols in response to a cases, exposures, and symptoms.

Thanks,

Colt

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 11:56 AM

**To:** GILL Colt - ODE <colt.gill@ode.state.or.us>

**Cc:** lindsey.d.capps@oregon.gov; NINE Scott - ODE <Scott.Nine@ode.state.or.us>; shadiin.garcia@state.or.us; Rachael.Banks@dhsaha.state.or.us; thomas.l.jeanne@dhsaha.state.or.us; julie.a.love@oregon.gov; SIDELINGER DEAN E <DEAN.E.SIDELINGER@dhsaha.state.or.us>; SEN Dembrow <Sen.MichaelDembrow@oregonlegislature.gov>; REP AlonsoLeon <Rep.TeresaAlonsoLeon@oregonlegislature.gov>

**Subject:** New question -- about trends

Your guidelines state this:

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What if trends are increasing and the school/district is continuing to open to more students?

What is the process to stop this?

What if the school/district cannot demonstrate the ability to limit transmission?

What if the community trends are such that students or staff are frequently coming to school infected and thus forcing groups of others to be placed in a situation where they have to worry for the next 10 days that they have been exposed?

Nancy

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 1:40 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: No do not make this a rule

Comment/proposed permanent COVID-19 rule.

**From:** TOTO SIMONS <javatoto@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 12:35 PM  
**To:** CORVIN Aaron \* DCBS <Aaron.Corvin@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** No do not make this a rule

Let Americans decide how they want to live their lives. We are free to live our own lives making health decisions. If someone feels unsafe they should wear a mask if it help them feel safer. There is zero proof masks even work. Only keeps large droplets from spewing out far distance. Micro droplets are air born. We as Americans take on that Risk every time we order at a restaurant or even step out of our homes! We take a risk driving our car our boat or QUADING. Let sli skiing snow skiing going to visit anyone in hospital. We understand there is a risk in even staying home jumping in shower bath.

This will not help. Masking people will mask at risk people will mask. 100 percent of us will die eventual

Sent from myMail for Android





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 14, 2021 5:29 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: OMG!!! Please listen to the CDC!!!

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Monday, February 15, 2021 1:27:50 AM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** CAPPS Lindsey D \* GOV; GILL Colt - ODE; Jeanne Thomas L; Banks Rachael; SIDELINGER DEAN E; scott.nine@ode.state.or.us; REP AlonsoLeon; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E; HAWKINS Craig; jgreen@osba.org  
**Cc:** SEN Dembrow; SEN Gelser; SEN Thomsen; SEN Gorsek; SEN Robinson; REP AlonsoLeon  
**Subject:** OMG!!! Please listen to the CDC!!!

<https://www.cnn.com/2021/02/14/politics/school-reopenings-cdc-director-walensky/index.html>

You need to listen to her and bring Oregon's standards back into alignment with federal standards. Immediately!

"The data shows little transmission in schools." You keep saying this. There is a tag line that you have not been saying and rge CDC is! BUT if the country level is high then Covid can come into schools. Duh! This is what teachers have been saying.

What counties are in the red zone based on county data? There is high risk of infection coming into school. This is what we are seeing. And every time it does there is disruption that is NOT good for students, families, or staff.

The key new data is that at the secondary level there is only 60% compliance with masking. 60% not 100%. That is what we are seeing in the secondary schools - students in parking lots with no masks or distancing.

So Governor Browns bribe of "you can have sports if you have plans to open" needs to be rescinded. Any district in the red zone needs to stay remote. Period. Unless you can ensure 100% compliance with the protocols — which you can't.

What is the level of mask and distance compliance at the elementary level? The word from teachers is that most of the time students are in class they are enforcing safety protocols. Not teaching.

If you can't ensure 100% compliance with the protocols then any school in a region that is at high risk should be forced to close. Not close only if there is no evidence of transmission within the school. If the virus is coming into the school from the community and the district cannot ensure 100% compliance with masking, distancing, cleaning, cohorts, then the requirement needs to be that the school must close.

In other words, if there is a verified instance based on report to OSHA of failure in an elementary school to follow protocol in a county that is in a red zone, the response must be closure — not a slap on the hand, not a fine — closure. Period. There will never be compliance without consequences.

Are you going to follow the science or not?

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 5:21 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: OSHA administrative rules regarding schools

COVID Rule Comment

**From:** Ariel Frager <arielfrager@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:22 PM  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>; WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** OSHA administrative rules regarding schools

Hello-

My name is Ariel Frager and I am a school counselor at Chapman Elementary School in Portland, Oregon. I have serious concerns about returning to full-time regular school prior to our community reaching herd immunity for Covid-19.

The student population of my school is quite low at the moment, only around 360 students enrolled right now. Last March, the enrollment number was closer to 420. I serve all students at my school, so when we return to the building, I will be in close contact with all students plus approximately 45 professional and classified staff members and then also a host of parents. I need the proposed OSHA Rules that address workplace safety to be in place during this global health emergency. I will not be safe if I am exposed to hundreds of students, staff and parents each day while I am at work.

Chapman School was built in 1923. The ventilation system is suspect even though my employer states that they have cleared the ventilation system for community use. As an Oregon educator, I need these OSHA rules to protect me. I know that many parents of frustrated students will also be writing to advocate that OSHA vacate these important safety precautions. Please remember that there are more people in the schools who work with the entire student body- counselors, PE teachers, music teachers, art teachers, librarians etc.

Professional educators who are not classroom teachers are often overlooked and have a much higher exposure to the entire school populations. Please remember that we need these OSHA safety protections as much if not more than our classroom teacher colleagues.

Thank you for looking out for my health and safety,

Ariel Frager





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2021 9:59 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Cc:** MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: OSHA Guidelines becoming permanent

Comment for Lisa. FYI

**From:** Jennie Lewis <jennielewis1018@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2021 9:09 AM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov>  
**Cc:** Jennie Lewis <jennielewis1018@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** OSHA Guidelines becoming permanent

To whom it may concern -

I am writing this letter in opposition to the proposal of the current COVID-19 temporary rules becoming permanent. These regulations are unrealistic and unnecessary on a long term, much less PERMANENT basis. We, as Oregonians, have generally done what was asked of us, regardless of the cost (whether that be emotionally, physically, mentally and financially) to combat this virus. To expect us as employers and employees to continue this beyond the threat of the virus (which was already blown out of proportion) is asinine. We all know that once these are deemed "permanent" with the possibility of retracting them, they will stay in place for much longer than reasonable or necessary.

I am the office manager in a dental office and these regulations have negatively impacted the doctor, assistants, front office personnel and patients, alike.

Jennifer Lewis  
3011 Hammer Street  
Klamath Falls, OR 97603  
(541)891-0425





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**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 5:18 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Please do not allow the new OSHA proposed regulations become a permanent rule

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**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS <Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov>; WOOD Michael \* DCBS <Michael.Wood@oregon.gov>; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV <Jennifer.BAKER@oregon.gov>; APPEL Lisa \* DCBS <Lisa.APPEL@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Please do not allow the new OSHA proposed regulations become a permanent rule

Dear Mr. Stolfi, Mr. Wood, Ms. Baker, and Ms. Appel,

I am writing to register my deep dismay at the proposed rules OSHA is seeking to make permanent related to COVID-19. <https://osha.oregon.gov/.../text-chngs-covid19-public...>

As a lawyer for the last 25 years, I assure you that these admimistrative rules are extreme overkill on many levels. Among other things, the rules would make it so that no matter how few cases we have in Oregon, kids in school could not go to school full time, have a school play or go on a field trip until OSHA repeals this. This is both extremely onerous on schools and puts into place hurdles that will introduce red tape into every activity for schools and workplaces.

Moreover, the fact that there is no sunset clause on these rules makes me very uneasy. Who decides when these rules end? OHA? OSHA? The governor? Unlike the last set of emergency rules, these rules are permanent with no end date. Given the way that Oregon has mismanaged school reopenings so far (most schools have been shut a full year), it's hard to trust that the OHA and the governor's office will repeal these rules in any sort of timely fashion.

These ridiculously restrictive set of rules will also make it impossible for middle and high school kids to have anything approaching a normal secondary school experience for years to come. COVID-19 is likely going to be around for some time (maybe forever) and kids do not suffer ill consequences from it. The majority of the population who chooses to get vaccinated will be vaccinated by end of summer. Why do we need these draconian rules to protect a population that suffers virtually no ill effects from COVID 19? The chance that a 13 or 16 year old will be hospitalized for Covid are 36 times lower than that they will be killed in a fatal car crash. From a risk perspective, this is just completely nonsensical and will make normal school experiences impossible in Oregon.

If next year our kids are not fully back in schools, I, like many others, will be moving my child out of state, and likely myself. There will be a massive fleeing of the state with these draconian and unneeded permanent rules, which will ruin our economy. Oregon must get its collective mind around getting back to some semblance of normal life, most especially for our children. They have suffered long enough.

Please review these rules carefully and ensure they are not made permanent. We cannot live in COVID restrictions forever.

Thank you for your consideration.

best,  
Laura I Appleman





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**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 8:53 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Schools in Europe closing

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**From:** Nancy Willard  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 4:51:52 PM (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time  
**To:** GILL Colt - ODE  
**Cc:** CAPPs Lindsey D \* GOV; NINE Scott - ODE; GARCIA Shadiin - ODE; Banks Rachael; Jeanne Thomas L; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS; SIDELINGER DEAN E; SEN Dembrow; REP AlonsoLeon  
**Subject:** Schools in Europe closing

I don't know how I missed this.

You might note the data. Schools in Roseburg opened January 25. In the last 3 days infection rates have exploded.

<https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.wsj.com/amp/articles/europes-schools-are-closing-again-on-concerns-they-spread-covid-19-11610805601>

Nancy







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:25 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: So I will tell you

**From:** Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org>  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 30, 2021 11:18 PM  
**To:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS <Julie.A.Love@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: So I will tell you

This is absolutely what is happening in Oregon.

[https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/education/2021/01/27/biden-covid-19-plan-looks-safety-students-teachers-defy-rules/4257689001/?fbclid=IwAR3DexqSQqbO2L-9E\\_N7RzPutfXwks1SQELSwyww\\_GW24pVzKxnkjqv3yI8](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/education/2021/01/27/biden-covid-19-plan-looks-safety-students-teachers-defy-rules/4257689001/?fbclid=IwAR3DexqSQqbO2L-9E_N7RzPutfXwks1SQELSwyww_GW24pVzKxnkjqv3yI8)

And no one at OHA or ODE give a damn!!!

Look at the lies the administrators are saying. "We are following all safety protocols"

I have worked in bullying prevention for over a decade. When bullying occurs they always say "we have zero tolerance to bullying."

They are flat lying. They are going to lie to you. And you are likely to take their word over staff.

Nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2021, at 8:29 PM, Nancy Willard <nwillard@embracecivility.org> wrote:

But at this point I do not think OSHA will do anything.

Winston. Staff tested positive last weekend. Staff were in a meeting in an unventilated room the Wednesday before. I am pretty sure based on what the public health guy said that the school did not report this. Students quarantined. Staff not.

Staff tried to report the staff meeting to public health but he said file an OSHA complaint. They know you will not do anything.

By the way there are photos in their Facebook page showing students not distancing. I am told that they are not keeping cohorts separate.

Student tested positive Wednesday. He had not been in school since the Wednesday before.

Everyone will be back on Monday.

Coos. 2nd grade student tested positive. Public health spoke with principal. They decided not to quarantine the class. 2nd grade students stay in their places and keep their masks on all the time. Except for the 20 minutes they were eating.

Even though the kid tested positive the parents of the students who were quarantined were told their child had been exposed to someone who had been exposed. And the other parents were not told anything. Obviously they would not have wanted to know the truth.

Then the teacher found out that a child has been in school for a week after his parents had tested positive. Apparently even though kids are in school "do you have a child in school?" Is not a question that public health asks. Why should anyone care?

So I did contact public health and ask and I sent some of the messages I received to some state senators and representatives - after Lindsey, Colt, and Dean told them that it was safe to open schools because the districts are going to implement the 160 safety protocols with fidelity.

Filing a complaint with OSHA does not be appearing to have any positive impact.

Districts are violating the standards with impunity.

[https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.kptv.com/news/back-to-school-estacada-sd-students-in-kindergarten-first-grade-return-to-in-person-learning/article\\_436b9e9a-5f49-11eb-b9b9-0bbd508cd314.amp.html](https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.kptv.com/news/back-to-school-estacada-sd-students-in-kindergarten-first-grade-return-to-in-person-learning/article_436b9e9a-5f49-11eb-b9b9-0bbd508cd314.amp.html)

No social distancing. Windows are not down. School Board member does not know how to wear a mask.

And everyone is all perfectly all right with this.

Does anyone think about the distress these staff members are going through - waiting to see if they have been exposed? Isolating from their family to avoid exposing them?

As I have become an advocate for these folks i am not receiving private messages when they are upset. More and more are upset. With 3 people this week I made sure to see that they had good support networks because they were so distressed.

The emotional distress being expressed in the online group is escalating.

Nothing whatsoever can be done to protect these people. I know OSHA will not do anything substantive. You have been overwhelmed. I am still recommend reporting to establish a paper trail that can support litigation.

School staff knows that if they do report they likely will face retaliation in the community. So they only feel safe reporting if they are prepared to leave.

Nothing can be done. Kate gets her wish to place everyone at risk. I hope she realizes her political career is over.

Probably you do not need to respond. I know there is nothing you can do.

Nancy



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2021 10:24 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Why don't school staff feel that anyone cares or is listening to them?

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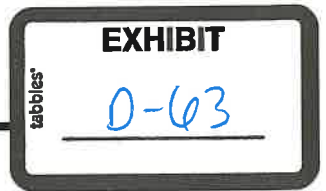
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**Subject:** Why don't school staff feel that anyone cares or is listening to them?

Because school leaders are not listening.

<https://www.registerguard.com/story/news/2021/02/11/majority-letters-to-springfield-schools-decry-reopening-teacher-vaccination-covid-19/4365744001/?fbclid=IwAR3h-NLhDfnSzadn2N9EvI-eOOun5ATEuOtD-h5TxkTjguRr2ssQK31RiM>

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**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 2:31 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: OSHA proposed administrative rules

Comment on COVID rule

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Begin forwarded message:

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**Subject:** OSHA proposed administrative rules

Dear Mr. Stolfi, Mr. Wood, and Ms. Baker

I am writing to register my deep dismay at the proposed rules OSHA is seeking to make permanent related to COVID-19.

<https://osha.oregon.gov/OSHARules/proposed/2021/text-chngs-covid19-public-health-emergency.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0NEvwuQawwp--DwJNUlaWrweKXS2mI0f8UsjtGhSSJQGk4TqKS74WsBkK>

I don't know if you have actually read through it all, but the rules are extreme overkill on many levels. The main problem, however, is that the rules would make it so that no matter how few cases we have in Oregon, kids in school could not have a school play or go on a field trip until OSHA repeals this. This is both extremely onerous on schools and puts into place hurdles that will introduce red tape into every activity for schools and workplaces. It will also make it impossible for HS kids to have anything approaching a normal HS experience for years to come. COVID-19 is likely going to be around for some time (maybe forever) and kids do not suffer ill consequences from it. The majority of the population who chooses to get vaccinated will be vaccinated by end of summer. Why do we need these draconian rules to protect a population that suffers virtually no ill effects from COVID 19? The chance that a 16 year old will be hospitalized for Covid are 36 times lower than that they will be killed in a fatal car crash. From a risk perspective, this is just completely nonsensical and will make a normal HS experience impossible. If next year our kids are not fully back in HS, I will be moving my child out of state, and likely myself. Oregon must get its collective mind around getting back to some semblance of normal life, most especially for our kids.

Thank you.

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**From:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed Covid-19 Public Health Emergency

COVID rule comment

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**Subject:** Proposed Covid-19 Public Health Emergency  
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Good morning,

I just read that Oregon OHSA wants to make Covid workplace rules permanent and they will apply to all schools - public and private. These rules are very strict, including 100 person contact rule and 35' of space /person rule.

Please consider the real impacts that this will have on kids in schools, current businesses that are struggling and decreased interest in having businesses in Oregon due to these rules.

Please consider modifying the RSSL document to reflect the science that indicates Covid does not spread in schools, that 3' of distance is plenty to be effective and that teacher have had the opportunity to be immunized, taking their effective risk of getting Covid down to zero.

Thank you for your consideration and time,







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** Paul W. Johnson <paulwjohnsondo@yahoo.com>  
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**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS; WOOD Michael \* DCBS; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV  
**Subject:** In Person School Now

As Oregon state office holders, I implore you based on the scientific evidence to reopen in person school immediately. Its time to end all of the politics and kowtowing to the Teacher Unions and do the right thing for our unrepresented children in Oregon. We know from the CDC and 60 schools that stayed open during the pandemic that there is no risk of spread given the appropriate clean procedures.

Please be brave and stand up for the children.

Sincerely, Paul W Johnson



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



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**Subject:** Masks and Lockdowns

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### Lockdowns are a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy

“Non-pharmaceutical” interventions do not work, and are doing far more harm than good

Daniel Jeanmonod MD



I have chosen to write this text in addition to our two earlier contributions because of the development of the “second wave” which came afterward, and in reaction to the current relentless accumulation of non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPIs, also called corona, “social” or lockdown measures).

These are characterized by separation/isolation of human beings through the application of masks, distance maintenance between people, stay-at-home orders and business closures.

An important study in *Frontiers in Public Health* on the data delivered by 160 countries has found no correlation between death rate and stringency of lockdown measures[1].

Another study showed no significant benefits of stay-at-home order and business closure on epidemic case growth[2].

The following two examples confirm these results: a country with low lockdown stringency like Sweden has at the moment **the same fatality rate per million inhabitants as France**, but lower than Spain, Italy and UK, where severe lockdown measures were applied.

In addition, Sweden has had for the second wave a much smaller excess mortality **than France, Italy or Spain**, an observation which allows one to suspect that lockdown measures are delaying the establishment of herd immunity. This is not desirable, as the time during which the old, sick and frail can be exposed to the virus gets longer.

As NPIs are imposed in an overloaded ambiance of viral threat, they are additionally in position to activate **destructive neuro-immunological mechanisms** as well as to trigger secondary deleterious psycho-social, medical and economic developments<sup>5</sup>. Both have a direct effect on population mortality.

Analyses indicate that at least a third, and possibly more than half, of the observed excess mortality may be caused by the applied measures[3][4]. Measure-based mortality will proceed and may even accelerate if the fear-mongering stays and no end to the nightmare is presented to a now chronically overloaded population.

We are in the typical context of a “self-fulfilling prophecy”, where, through neuro-immunological overresponses, physical immobilization, social isolation and socio-economic difficulties, the death toll gets maximized and the expected death prophecy confirmed.

This requires then the maintenance and even increase of measures, and explains why people questioning their necessity are swiftly qualified as fools, idiots, conspiracy theorists or even murderers (heartlessly risking lives).

For almost a year, cultivated virus hysteria has fuelled the belief in a necessity to suppress “Covid19”.

Epidemiological models, revealed regularly as strongly pessimistic, justify preemptive NPIs even if collected data show positive reassuring evolutions. These measures are presented as unavoidable parts of the fight to be held, and are applied relentlessly without questioning their efficiency (see reference [1]), and without considering, as mentioned above, their lethality.

PCR tests are enacted for the whole population, with their extreme sensitivity and false positives<sup>5</sup>, maintaining in the population the awareness of the dreadful presence of the virus. The fact that a large percentage (88% in Italy) of deaths happened in the presence of corona (but not due to corona) in the context of end-of-life situations is not considered.

Science moves on to find new threat markers, like the reproduction factor R and recently the rise of mutated virus variants. Thoughts and emotions remain focalized on covid-19 and its threat, taken out of the regular context of the normal human/virus interactions.

For example, tests of corona presence have never been performed before to establish what normality is along the year, and variants can be seen as the logical and usual answer of viruses to the development of human herd immunity.

In our county of Solothurn in Switzerland, 2,662 deaths have been reported for 2020<sup>[5]</sup>, among which 219 were attributed to covid-19 and of these 211 were living in nursing homes<sup>[6]</sup>. Median age of covid-

19 death in Switzerland is 86 years old[7], and the rate of significant premorbidities is very high (97% with at least one premorbidity).

Switzerland, in spite of a clear-cut “second wave”, has experienced no excess mortality for ages below 65, and even for 70 and above, a correction for the increasing size of this old age group shows no excess mortality for 2020[4], and a lower mortality in 2020 than in 2012, 2013 and 2015<sup>6</sup>. Finally, for the whole swiss population, the total death rate per 100,000 inhabitants was the same in 2003 and even higher in 2000[8].

Where do we find, here and around the world, any motivation and necessity to limit the professional and social activities of a whole population for now almost a year?

Should we have locked populations in the past during former flu epidemics? Obviously no.

Shall we have to do that in the future? How long can our human environment resist such heavy, deleterious and questionable measures? And when shall the people of the world get their basic human rights and freedom back?

Of course, fear takes the best out of us, and nobody is to blame for damages produced unwillingly and under the pressure of fear.

There is, alas, no doubt about the following fact: modern, technological medicine often lacks the compassionate therapeutic dimension one expects from it, and presents the unpleasant tendency to promote huge profits through drugs and medical-technical products, with less than appropriate up to fraudulent practices[9][10]

Fraud resides in the highest levels, as exemplified by the recent withdrawal of a fraudulent article from the famous journal the Lancet[11]. This article claimed wrongly the inefficiency and dangers of a plant-based, well known, efficient and inexpensive medication.

A proper decision and information strategy in the corona crisis would have been to open the scientific, political and public debate to different views, with the goal to come up together to a balanced, consensual program, in which nobody is right or wrong and all agree to have worked together on the best possible solutions.

It is extremely counterproductive and dogmatic to promote the exclusive value of the dominant view, proposed by governments and their scientific task forces and widely distributed by the media. Other views are being seen as unacceptable, not-an-option, or even ethically wrong.

Why propagate the idea the whole world needs to be vaccinated against covid-19 in the context of the above-mentioned epidemic data? What of the recent confirmation, published by the WHO and authored by Dr. Ioannidis[12], of a general average case fatality ratio of 0.23% (analyzed from 61 studies), in the range of a flu epidemic?

In addition, to the contrary of what the WHO has proposed recently, we may strongly consider that the natural herd immunization process, established by life processes along millennia, and non-dangerous for the immense majority of the active population below 65, will be more efficient than any vaccination.

Finally, the essential role of physical and emotional health as protections against severe infectious developments has been dramatically ignored in favour of medical technical interventions, precipitating many human beings into severe disease evolutions by physical inactivity and social isolation.

Our governments should contribute to protect without coercion the old, sick and frail and free the rest of the population from all general NPIs. We have all learned what to do in winter with our old and frail parents, who particularly need our presence and can decide for themselves what they prefer: state-imposed protection, or an evening to their life surrounded by their beloved ones.

Numerous human beings have died these last months in appalling physical and emotional conditions, immobilized in their rooms and isolated from families and friends. This has lasted long enough and should be considered as inhumane and stopped. **The Great Barrington Declaration** enacts



the reduction of measures to “focal” protection. It was proposed by 3 epidemiologists from Harvard, Stanford and Oxford and has collected more than 50,000 signatures from medical and public health scientists and medical practitioners as well as from more than 700,000 concerned citizens.

The people need to regain their democratic rights and freedom of decision without delay.

With courage and scientific data at hand, we should stop hiding away from the virus on the order of our governments. We should trust nature that things will balance back to normal, instead of tampering chaotically and arrogantly with the natural dynamics regulating the human/virus interactions.

The relentless, never-ending confinement measures have led to the appearance of a host of absurd, even pathetic measures and situations, with some citizens wearing masks alone in their own cars, or jogging masked and alone in the countryside...I have heard many people around me wonder if they were not in a nightmare or a bad movie.

We need to wake up and work to fix this.

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** Tracy Williams <wilich@comcast.net>  
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**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Do not include schools with workplace regulations

Dear OSHA,

At school, unlike a workplace, students in K-12 schools are under adult supervision and there is someone there to enforce mask wearing, desk and hand washing and social distancing. In the workplace, where people may be complacent and no one may be monitoring them, adults may not follow the guidelines. These two environments are vastly different and should NOT be grouped together in the same policy.

If you group them together it will be a grave mistake for our State's youth who have been out of school for an entire year. If you enact this policy for schools, it will be difficult to get students back to the classroom and impossible to get them to 5 days a week. Additionally, all schools should not be under the same policy because each building, campus and enrollment is different.

Please do not continue to ruin our kid's lives with this blanket policy that does not take circumstances or science into account. It's already tragic enough for all the kids, especially the poor and underserved kids who all of this has effected the most. We have to get these kids educated - it's their only chance in life.

Tracy Williams

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**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** Ann Elizabeth Caddigan <ann@ductapenroses.com>  
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**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** No Masks, Lockdowns or Mandatory Injections

Fiscal and economic impact and the cost of compliance are an extreme burden and an anathema to our Bill of Rights.

Ohio, New Mexico and two other States are being sued on the basis there was no, "State of Emergency." So with that said; could Fauci be brought into court under the same assumption. That he lied, and there was no legal, scientific proof of a, "pandemic, and therefore no, State of Emergency or conditions justifying his actions? Fauci is suppose to be the right hand of God when it comes to this stuff. So shouldn't he be required by law to prove everything he's saying is true? Shouldn't he have scientific proof lock-downs, masks, and social distancing work? Shouldn't he have to scientifically prove that a virus with a 95% plus recovery rate justifies his plan of recovery? Shouldn't he have to scientifically prove the rushed vaccines were the best medical treatment, safe, and not experimental? Shouldn't Fauci, as a man in his vital position, be required, (and able) to scientifically justify every one of his statements? ...and shouldn't they be consistent, and be more evidence based than simply, "his word?" Shouldn't his past with the Wuhan lab come into play? Shouldn't the fact that Obama shut him down at one point come into play? Shouldn't his credibility and statements be examined very carefully when the lives of a planet are purposely focused on him for a pandemic recovery? and shouldn't, (even) the credibility of his sources come into the discussion as well? They are going after our children next... Shouldn't that have to be legally and scientifically justified considering children under twenty pose absolutely no risk??

Thank you.





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**Subject:** OHSA Draft on Rules addressing Covid-19 in all Oregon Workplaces

Dear Dir. Gill, Dir. Allen, and all the ODE and OHSA staff involved,

We must fix or delete the OHSA Rules addressing Covid 19 in all Oregon Workplaces as proposed to be "permanent". This document as permanent is poorly timed and will stop high schools from opening in 2021-22 which we simply cannot afford as parents or society (100-person cohorts and 35 square meters per pupil are game stoppers and are not accepted standards outside of Oregon nor necessary). I read the sentence that it can be repealed later but knowing how long these things take (judging from this alone...Jan creation until May to take affect, 5 months) and how schools do their planning I can almost guarantee this document as "permanent" will literally destroy our chances of opening high schools in the fall as the timing of this as permanent is poorly placed.

**Adults protected by end of August likely reaching all interested in being vaccinated (if not sooner).**

By the end of May, we'll have roughly 16% of the state vaccinated and/or had Covid. **By the end of August we'll be at 60% of the state protected which is close to 90% of adults** (assuming we get no better than we are now at vaccinating people, if we do it will be sooner). Likely we'll have vaccinated every adult who wants to be vaccinated. I'm assuming you have done this math or similar so this should not be news, but I've shown my math below but this is a really easy calculation.

**Kids already safe with only 1 Covid death in under 20 in OR in last 12 months.**

Covid deaths in OREGON since the beginning of Covid for under 20 years of age: 1 that is ONE. OHA data.

Flu deaths for people under age of 20 in 2019: 2 that is TWO. OHA data.

Car accidents / hit by car resulting in deaths for those under 20 in 2018: 22 that TWENTY-TWO. Oregon.gov data

Thus, as we enter the 2021-22 school year, even if we haven't figured out vaccination for kids we'll be literally completely lost as a society if we aren't sending our children back to in-person education (this is the nicest way I can say this). There should be close to no risk for adults in schools (as you have a choice to get vaccinated and if you don't that is on you), and zero risk for kids (this is NOT A DEADLY VIRUS FOR KIDS! READ THE DATA. FOR KIDS, FLU IS JUST AS DANGEROUS IF NOT MORE SO). We cannot afford any impediments to opening schools.

If this ill-timed document is passed as is we'll have OHSA rules that will literally prevent High schools and middle schools from opening. Will stop athletics again. Will not allow kids to go on field trips. **I am literally beside myself in disbelief that OHSA Draft Rules addressing Covid is set to establish as permanent 100-person Cohorts, 35 square meters per person, 6 feet distancing, no school**

**activities in May of 2021 just as Covid will be being reduced to lower and lower levels.**

Moreover, these metrics of 100 person cohorts and 35 square meters are NOT supported outside of OREGON and already should be eliminated as they are keeping schools closed this year despite the governor's call to open (yet our rules make it impossible!). That is what is even harder to swallow. They are preventing high schools from opening now with other more reasonable safety measures that would do what is needed and are what is being done in other states (masks, hand washing, reasonable air flow with fans/windows and reasonable distancing).

The reality we know is COVID will not go away for years, maybe forever, but it will be reduced to very manageable levels by this summer and we have to go on with our lives. We cannot make it impossible to open schools. High schools and middle schools cannot live with 100 person cohorts and 35 square meters per pupil per classroom especially as Covid is so reduced. **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE OUR KIDS CONTINUE TO SUFFER INTO 2021-2022 WITH SUCH AN ILL-TIMED PERMANENT SET OF RULES! And if you must make such a document please eliminate from A-13 the 100-person cohorts and 35 square meters and canceling of sports and school events in this document.**

Here is the math.

- Cases in OR thus far: 215K
  - % of cases that are Asymptomatic: 40% (Dr. Fauci Nov 23, 2020 among others with similar estimates)
  - % of OR 215K cases detected that were Asymptomatic: 9.4% (OHA weekly report)
- Derived actual cases in OR so far:  $215K / 69.4\% = 309K$  (probably low)
- Vaccinated so far: 325K (equivalent, is 650K doses...some people partially done but by dividing by 2 it covers the equivalency)
- **Thus,  $309K + 325K = 634K$  / 4M Oregon residents = ~16%** (noted probably some small overlap on those that had Covid and will be vaccinated)
- Current vaccination run rate 120K doses / week = 60K equivalency / 4M = **1.5% Oregonians Per week.**
- Between now and **end of May**, 15 weeks = 23% more, or now **~39%+ people protected (assuming we'll get even better at run-rate).**
- **By end of August we'll be at ~60%+** which will be approaching all the interested adults in the state.

Sincerely,  
Eric Happel





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**Subject:** Open our Schools

To those responsible for making the big decisions about opening schools,

The closure of schools have gone on far too long. Enough already! Schools should have been the last to close and the first to open. We continue to hear about how Oregon is following the science, and it is quite clear that the science is being ignored and children have become last priority. The metrics and safety guidelines that are currently in place are hurting our communities, families and the future of our society. The metrics and safety guidelines need to be attainable for ALL Students to return to the classroom now! The money has been provided and the science is supporting the opening of our schools. As a born and raised Oregonian I am greatly disappointed in the leadership and direction our state is going in regards to public school. This continued nonsense is creating deeper inequity and forcing those who can afford to move their children to private or out of state are doing so. The repercussions of school closure will be felt for years if we don't act NOW!

Please Read this!

<https://www.nationalreview.com/2021/02/on-reopening-the-schools-joe-biden-is-ignoring-the-science/amp/?fbclid=IwAR31vAiqfk8GbcEf5lstqvl4Jws8zefD8tmKbv7d-6E3dfxrxzKEuBlaw>

Sincerely,  
Ashley Marostica  
Mother of 4 children in Beaverton School District.

Sent from my iPhone





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**Subject:** Oregon OSHA's Proposal on Rules Addressing the COVID-19

To Whom It May Concern,

Oregon OHSA has proposed new **permanent** workplace rules, including very strict school rules. Looking at Appendix 13, which starts on p. 69 these rules make the 35 square feet and the 100 person cohort permanent until the rules are rescinded. These apply to all schools, including private. This means that most students will not be able to go to full in person school until these are repealed. The rules indicate that they are to "address the pandemic," but who knows how long they will last, and they are lumped in with a bunch of workplace rules, which could and maybe should last longer than school rules given the limited transmission and risk to kids. Now that teachers are getting vaccinated, these rules are even more asinine. We certainly cannot make them permanent. As schools are already subject to RSSL they need only to reference that document and reserve the right to impose their own restrictions as needed.

Our kids need to get back in the classroom. Please do the right thing and help us by not making this language permanent.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Smith-Morgan





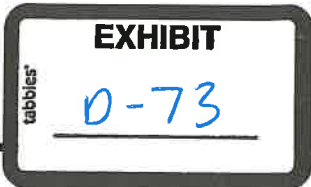
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**From:** Susan Waite <susan.l.waite54@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 14, 2021 7:26 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Permenate Covid-19 ruled

Please inform me, as I read the rules this could include employers requiring employees to get the Experimental CoVid-19 vaccination to work... Correct?





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**From:** Sarah Yu <sarah\_yu@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 14, 2021 3:15 PM  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS; WOOD Michael \* DCBS; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV  
**Subject:** Please, help

My 7th grader hasn't turned the page of a text book for 11 months.

The one book she was asked to read this year was provided to her through a reading app which she read on her phone. We later saw the book in person and she couldn't believe how beautiful and vibrant it was (it was a graphic novel).

She wears glasses, and works hard to see the small print on her screen, but most of the time just wings it, and hopes that she is interpreting the assignments properly.

One of my close friend's daughters went back to private high school recently. You know what she missed most? The sounds of chairs scraping across the floors. The sounds of locker slamming in the doorways. The smell of text books.

Our children are living in a two dimensional world right now. They need to see, hear, smell, connect with things outside their bedroom, and off screens.

Please, reopen the schools. Please show that you care about these kid's futures. Some of them only have a few months, or a year before they are supposed to go to college or start a career. Let's give them a spring board.

Sarah Yu  
503-490-9092  
mom to 2 children, one 7th grader and one 10th







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**From:** Cari Miller <carimiller7@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:52 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Cc:** Cari Miller  
**Subject:** Proposed rules comment

Department of Consumer and Business Services/Oregon:

OHSA has proposed very strict new permanent workplace rules, including strict school rules, that make the 35 square feet and 100 person cohort permanent until the rules are rescinded. As schools are already subject to RSSL they should just reference that and reserve the right to impose own restrictions as needed.

Our kids need to get back in the classroom. Please do the right thing and help us by not making this language permanent.

Sincerely  
Cari Miller  
Single mom of Freshman daughter @ Sunset High School



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** Camille Hammond <camillehammond27@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:59 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS; DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Public Comment-Proposed OSHA Permanent Changes

I am writing in deep, deep concern for the proposed OSHA guidelines that are set to become permanent after May. See Apendix 13 Pg, 99. Included in these rules are rules set for schools, including limiting cohorts to 100 students and 35 square feet per classroom. These guidelines, if made into law, will punish our children for YEARS to come. Covid is not going away, yet we know children are not spreading the virus the same. Over half the students in the state are not going to school currently, and teachers are being vaccinated. If many middle and high schools do open in April, as in now the plan, do you know how many days of in-person school they will have had since last March 12? 18. 18 days out of approximately 265 school days. Because middle and high schools can not have all students in person with the 35 square foot guidance. How can this even be considered?? Never mind the busing required for field trips, sports, etc., as well as things like summer camps. Our children in Oregon, who have NO VOICE and NO UNION to speak for them, have 100% taken the brunt of this pandemic, and you want to make this punishment continue, with NO END IN SIGHT. Please do not make these guidelines permanent. Do the right thing, and put Oregon's children first, for once.

Sincerely,  
Camille Hammond





**From:** Michelle Mastalski <mmastalski@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2021 11:30 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Public concern

My name is Michelle Mastalski. I am a lifelong Oregonian, and a mom to two school aged kids, one of whom has Autism. I'm here to comment on Appendix A-7 Mandatory Workplace Guidance for Outdoor Recreation Organizations: B.1. which would place permanent restrictions on where spectators to outdoor activities can be and how long they can be there. As a mother of a child with special needs, attending both practices and games are very important to support any issues that may arise. Although I'm sure his disability would offer an exception to this rule, it would again draw more attention to his special needs in which he is allowed a "spectator" yet no one else is. In efforts for full inclusion for my son whom is very capable, I do not agree with this proposal.

In all my research, I have not found one shred of evidence that spectators who follow the universal guidelines of wearing face coverings and social distance contribute to the spread of COVID. If OSHA is privy to information that proves otherwise, they need to provide it, otherwise this proposed permanent rule is totally and completely unsubstantiated. With no evidence to base this rule, I see only only two reasons for OSHA to want this permanent:

1. Unsubstantiated, irrational fear.
2. The desire for control.

Or maybe it's both? This is to allow a sense of security to workers, but is it necessary? Our children have faced enough change and it is time to put them first.

Oregon will not be the first state to send kids back to play sports (quite the opposite in fact.) There are plenty of other states, including neighboring Idaho, that have been able to allow outdoor youth sports and allow players' friends and family to watch, all without contributing to the spread of COVID.

Thank you for listening to my concerns. It saddens me that I feel like I have to beg to watch my kids' soccer games. Please drop Appendix A-7, section B.1 from your permanent rules.

Thank you,  
Michelle Mastalski





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**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:26 PM  
**To:** Ann Elizabeth Caddigan  
**Cc:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS; MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Re: OSHA Platform for Receiving Comments on Lockdown and Mask Wearing

Hi Ann,

All comments are considered and added to the permanent record of rulemaking. Our rules coordinator typically follows up comments submitted to the agency with a brief email to acknowledge its receipt.

Please submit your comments to [tech.web@oregon.gov](mailto:tech.web@oregon.gov) when desired.

Thank you for your interest in Oregon OSHA's rulemaking.

-Matt

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**From:** Ann Elizabeth Caddigan <[ann@ductapenroses.com](mailto:ann@ductapenroses.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 3:11:27 PM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <[Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov](mailto:Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov)>  
**Subject:** OSHA Platform for Receiving Comments on Lockdown and Mask Wearing

Please, Sir,

I am missing the following Information:

How do I know my written comments are actually being considered?

How are you handling/tallying all the responses you receive?

What will determine your course of action and how will it be presented?

I'm sure there is something written that would answer my questions but so far it has evaded my perusal. Perhaps you could send me a link.

I appreciate your time.

Thank you,

Ann Caddigan







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** "hello" <farmerdodd@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 15, 2021 8:24 PM  
**To:** STOLFI Andrew \* DCBS; WOOD Michael \* DCBS; BAKER Jennifer \* GOV  
**Subject:** School Openings

Without the schools open kids are failing and it is the fault of unions and unreasonable metrics to opening.

Schools all over the country and world have been open successfully. It has been scientifically proven many times over. I'm sure you are aware. This is a time when Oregon can't be the "we are better than you" metrics for opening. Any regulations have to be reasonable so that kids can get in the classroom as soon as possible.

35 square feet is not necessary. Studies show that 3 feet with a mask is adequate. A mask itself is 90+% effective in stopping spread. That coupled with the necessary distance, hand washing, sanitizing is good enough.

Please get these schools open. My children alone are beginning to show the effects of anti-socializing behaviors. We are a fortunate family with solid internet, space and support. I can't imagine how difficult others have it should they fall into the food insecurity issues and other struggles.

It is up to adults to find success to that they can succeed in the future. Don't let the socio-economic divide deepen any further than it has with this pandemic and closure.

Dan Welch  
Gwyn Welch 9th Grant  
Clare Welch 7th Laurelhurst  
Erin Welch 7th Laurelhurst





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 7:46 AM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Cc:** MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: Masks

Comment. FYI.

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**From:** Christy Smith <cl72smith@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 16, 2021 5:53:07 PM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Masks

To whom it may concern;

I'm writing in regards to the masks being made permanent to wear by OSHA. I would like to know the long term effects of being made to wear a mask for 7 or more hours a day. I know that myself personally get a headache by the end of the day.

We all have immune systems for a reason & the longer we are isolated as a population I believe we will be exposed to more severe illnesses when we are out in public with or without our masks.

I would like to see accurate documentation that wearing these masks has actually been beneficial.

I DO NOT believe that masks should be a permanent item in our future.





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 7:20 PM  
**To:** WOOD Michael \* DCBS; LOVE Julie A \* DCBS  
**Cc:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reopen Oregon

Not sure who is on the distribution list...

We will capture for record.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Sydney Kathleen <sydney.kathleen3@gmail.com>  
**Date:** February 17, 2021 at 7:00:20 PM PST  
**To:** STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS <Renee.M.Stapleton@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** Reopen Oregon

When are you guys going to start pressuring Governor Brown to reopen the state and get rid of the mask mandate? We need to get back to our normal way of living.

The vaccine is out and I have not seen any reports of COVID spiking.

If everyone who is vulnerable to the virus is vaccinated, why wouldn't it be safe to open?

I have lost a year of my life to lockdowns, money for trips, events, etc. Most of them are not refundable.

This is getting ridiculous and as a citizen of Oregon, I am extremely frustrated with our Governor.

Please start listening to the people.

Sincerely,

Sydney Kemper

Sent from my iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS  
**Sent:** Friday, February 19, 2021 2:02 PM  
**To:** APPEL Lisa \* DCBS  
**Cc:** MCLAUGHLIN Dave \* DCBS; ROBERTSON Gary L \* DCBS; STAPLETON Renee M \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Fwd: N95 masks

Comment for Lisa. FYI.

Thanks!

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**From:** Cindy Page <cin3062@me.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 19, 2021 10:31:24 AM  
**To:** KAISER Matthew C \* DCBS <Matthew.C.Kaiser@oregon.gov>  
**Subject:** N95 masks

Mr Kaiser;

I would like to raise my objection to the possible change in rules for wearing this type of mask on a permanent bases. This mask interferes with my ability to complete my task of dental hygiene on several levels

1. The straps are so tight my face begins to ache I have had orthonathic surgery along with implants and it is just to much pressure.
- 2 . my ability to breath is declined
- 3 . my visibility with loupes is hindered especially with mask and face shield
4. The person to whom an N95 protects is me and I'm not asking you to protect me other than using universal precautions which when used correctly is more than sufficient protection.

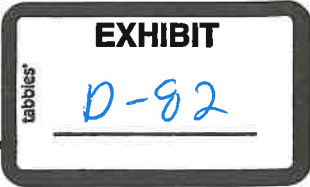
Additional types of suction are being utilized to account for over spray. If you want to make any change make it here, we all can adapt to that without interfering in our personal space.

I hope you will give this grave consideration especially for those of us working in the field.

Sincerely,  
Cindy Page  
Lic. H6600







**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

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**From:** lorinda schwarz <l\_schwarz@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 19, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** FW: Oregon OSHA's Proposal on Rules Addressing the COVID-19

To whom it may concern: I would like to comment on the proposal to adopt a permanent rule on the wearing of masks in the workplace. By May 4<sup>th</sup> when the temporary rule expires, most if not all of Oregon workers will have been offered the opportunity to have received the vaccine. Those who decline this have a right to do so for their own reasons. Those of us who cannot wear masks due to medical reasons are not afforded the same rights, however. We are forced to endure asthma or COPD attacks or not work, using our own time when not allowed to telecommute -which for many jobs is not practical or possible. Having a mask mandate in place after May 4<sup>th</sup> will continue this economic, physical, medical hardship for many of Oregon's workers. Asthma has become more and more common and trying to breathe through a mask is next to impossible and often causes coughing fits which people today evaluate as Covid-19. I know this as I am one of those who suffer from this condition. I was allowed to telecommute from April to Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> and then told it was ineffective and impossible for me to telecommute. I received 80 hours of FEMA Covid sick leave and then began taking my own sick leave until Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> when I regrettably returned to work. I have had multiple asthma attacks at work but continue to struggle to come in as I am the sole support for my family. I am fortunate enough to have a single person office to work in so that I can come into the institution to work and take the mask off once inside. I have not been able to do my full job of visiting within the institution however, as I cannot wear a mask long enough to do so. I have a co-worker who retired early for the same reasons, unable to wear a mask due to COPD after telecommuting was stopped and she ran out of sick leave.

IF a rule of this sort is continued there must be exceptions made for those medically unable to wear masks, those already vaccinated (esp. working in an environment were everyone is vaccinated) and those who are not allowed to telecommute.

We are not mandating vaccinations, so we also should not mandate masks. Masks are just as harmful to some of the general public (myself included) as vaccinations are – yes, people do die from asthma attacks. Please consider all of the people who need to work, not just those who chose not to get vaccinated. Thank you for your time and listening to my concerns.

Lorinda Schwarz  
Chaplain



**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**



**From:** Sandi Sperry <sssperry01@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 18, 2021 8:13 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** Public comment

Requiring 6' of distance on top of masks in schools and any workplace especially after people are vaccinated and/or have recovered from COVID is a restriction that should be eliminated. Our schools will not be able to open following these guidelines and we will continue to disregard the needs of our youth. Our state continues to implement and enforce rules that are not based on new updated science nor do they follow any common sense, such as allowing 50% capacity at a mall or store yet not allowing spectators at an outdoor youth sporting event.

The workplace rules and restrictions are not taking into consideration the updated science and ramifications of vaccines. Our businesses and schools will continue to close or fail our children if these guidelines become more permanent. I am opposed to this change.

Thank you,  
Sandi Sperry

Sent from Sandi's iPhone





**APPEL Lisa \* DCBS**

**From:** Heidi Napier <heidiandjeff@att.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 18, 2021 6:59 PM  
**To:** DCBS WEB TECH \* DCBS  
**Subject:** covid rules

Don't make any more restrictive rules. Open the schools, ditch the useless mask requirement and allow businesses to open and serve the public. You are destroying our economy and our health with the shutdown. Did you know that rates of suicide and depression in children are markedly increased since the shutdown? People need social interactions and activities to stay healthy. We want to be able to see each other smile!

Heidi Napier

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