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Face Covering Required in SOCCCD

The South Orange County Community College District (SOCCCD) continues to provide services to students and conduct [essential](#) business during this time of uncertainty. However, safety is of utmost importance.

All students, staff, faculty, third party vendors, and visitors are required to comply with District safety orders mandating that face coverings be worn while on all SOCCCD properties. Additionally, the South Orange County Community College District supports the use and effectiveness of wearing face coverings while in public (off-campus) to slow the spread of COVID-19, coupled with the adherence to social distancing [guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC).

Official Spokespersons for SOCCCD

During times of great uncertainty, crisis, and debate in our country, SOCCCD has made several statements to offer sentiments of where the District and colleges stand on a variety of issues. While all students, faculty, staff, administrators, and Board of Trustees members have the right to communicate personal feelings about various matters as individuals participating in public discourse, only the individuals discussed below are authorized to provide official statements on behalf of SOCCCD.

The Chancellor and the director of Public Affairs are the official spokespersons for the District. They will determine how official District news is released to the media to ensure consistency, accuracy, and veracity. The College Presidents make official statements on behalf of the colleges within SOCCCD, which are released by the College Public Information Officers. The President of the Board makes official statements on behalf of the Board of Trustees through the District Office of Public Affairs.

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