



## **Ethnos360 Bible Institute Face Covering Mandate**

**Effective August 1- September 28**

August 1, 2020

Dear Students,

We are counting down the days until you arrive at Ethnos360 Bible Institute. We have worked hard to ensure that our newly consolidated campus is ready for you. Educationally, our teachers are prepped, and our facilities are looking great. Please pray as we finalize policies and protocols aimed at protecting your health during this COVID-19 season.

### **Face Coverings Required in Public Areas**

One area that will affect you is our decision to require face-coverings for all indoor common areas.

Our decision is a response to Wisconsin's Governor, Tony Evers who issued an executive order declaring a public health emergency and requiring face-coverings to be worn indoors statewide. The order goes into effect on Aug. 1 and expires Sept. 28, unless another order supersedes it.

*At the end of this document I have included Governor Evers's initial statement, a PDF of the official mandate, and a link to the governor's web page of FAQ's related to the face-covering mandate:*

### **How will this affect me as an EBI Student?**

#### **You Need to Provide Your Face-covering:**

- When you arrive on campus you need to have a face-covering. Wisconsin states that a purchased disposable mask, cloth mask, bandana, or gaiter are all acceptable.

#### Student Housing:

- Single students are NOT required to wear masks within their dorm rooms.
- Single students are NOT required to wear face coverings on their respective floors. (Because this is part of the student's residence face coverings are not required.)
- Married students are NOT required to wear masks inside their apartments.
- Married students who live in the Blues apartments, and Arcadian Springs apartments are required to wear face coverings in all public areas inside of the buildings. (hallways, laundry, storage, etc.)

#### Common Areas:

- If two or more people are in a common area, regardless of whether social distancing is possible, they are required to wear face coverings.
  - o This would include essentially all areas of the school such as the lounges, Resthaven Cafe, lobby, coke room, dining hall, kitchen, classrooms, chapel, gym, hallways, etc.

#### Classroom:

- Students are required to wear face coverings in the classroom.
- Teachers are NOT be required to wear face coverings while teaching.

#### Outdoors:

- The Governor's mandate does not apply to the outdoors. He has strongly recommended but not mandated face-covering outdoors, therefore the EBI leadership will not mandate staff or students to wear face coverings while outdoors.

#### Offices:

- Masks are required when entering all offices. (finance office, education office, teacher's offices, etc.)

#### Departments:

- All departments who work in teams/groups are required to wear face coverings. (education office, finance office, business office, mobilization, food services, childcare, communal portions of the dean's complex, café, etc.)

#### Private Homes:

- The face-covering mandate does NOT apply to private homes.

## **Governor's Initial Statement**

*Governor Tony Evers issued an executive order declaring a public health emergency and requiring face-coverings to be worn indoors statewide. The order goes into effect on Aug. 1 and expires Sept. 28, unless another order supersedes it.*

*"While our local health departments have been doing a heck of a job responding to this pandemic in our communities, the fact of the matter is, this virus doesn't care about any town, city, or county boundary, and we need a statewide approach to get Wisconsin back on track," said Gov. Evers.*

*"We've said all along that we're going to let science and public health experts be our guide in responding to this pandemic, and we know that masks and face coverings will save lives. While I know emotions are high when it comes to wearing face coverings in public, my job as governor is to put people first and to do what's best for the people of our state, so that's what I am going to do."*

## **Wisconsin Emergency Order #1 Relating to preventing the spread of COVID-19 by requiring face coverings in certain situations:**

<https://evers.wi.gov/Documents/COVID19/Em001-FaceCoverings.pdf>

## **Frequently Asked Questions- Mandatory Face Coverings:**

<https://evers.wi.gov/Documents/COVID19/FaceCoveringFAQ.pdf>

Thank you for your understanding and compliance.

Your brother Christ,

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