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Dear Marion Families,

Recently, the NYS Appellate Division granted the application by the Department of Health and the Governor's office, confirming the lower court's decision is stayed pending further proceedings. Initially, we believed both parties would provide their arguments on Friday, 1/28/2022.

The Attorney General's Office, however, has informed us that there will not be another argument regarding the mask mandate on Friday. It is only a submission deadline for both parties. They expect it might take up to a few weeks for the Appellate Division to rule on whether there will be a longer stay pending appeal, but it is hard to predict.

At this time, the Marion Central School District will continue to follow the NYSED requirement that students and staff wear masks. The School District will continue to closely follow this situation.

We thank the members of our school communities for their patience during this process.

Respectfully,
Don