



NEBRASKA ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

*"Promoting, supporting, and serving our
members as they strive to improve the
health of all Nebraskans."*

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John Spatz, J.D.
Executive Director
Nebraska Association of School Boards
1311 Stockwell Street
Lincoln, NE 68502

Dear John,

The Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians (NAFP) is a membership organization consisting of over 1,300 Family Physician members across the state of Nebraska. On behalf of the Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians (NAFP) we support the plan to re-open schools safely in Nebraska with measures to avoid the unnecessary spread of the Coronavirus.

During this time we strongly support the following methods to safely prevent the spread of Coronavirus:

1. **Mask wearing-** Use of masks or cloth face coverings in all enclosed settings including schools.
2. **Social distancing-** A goal of at least 6 feet distancing (about 2 arms' length) from others.
3. **Hand washing-** Frequent hand washing with soap and water or an alcohol based sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

As always it is important to consult your local health department or hospital/physician group during this time as things are rapidly changing. Thank you for your leadership and your continued concern for the safety of our children and the community at large.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Williams, MD
President of the NAFP