The King County indoor mask order ends March 11, 2022.

King County will no longer require masks in many indoor public spaces:

- Schools, childcare facilities and libraries
- Restaurants and bars
- Church, mosques, temples, and other houses of worship
- Gyms, and other sports facilities
- Grocery and other stores and other businesses

How will mask requirements change on March 12?
Masks will still be required:

- Healthcare facilities, including hospitals, clinics, dentists, and pharmacies
- Long-term care settings like nursing homes
- Public transit, taxis, rideshare vehicles (federal requirement)
- Jails and prisons
Businesses, schools and childcares may decide to continue to require masks.

Please respect people’s choices to continue to wear a mask.
Why now?

King County is ending its local indoor mask order because hospitalizations and case numbers are declining and because of changes to CDC guidance, and high vaccination rates.
This policy change does not mean COVID-19 is over.

Thank you for continuing to limit the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Getting vaccinated and boosted when eligible
- Improving indoor ventilation
- Testing and staying home when sick
- Wearing a mask if you are at high risk, or around others who are at high risk, or in crowded places where it makes sense

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