

COVID-19 RESPONSE AND REOPENING POLICY July 17, 2020

Under the authority granted to me in the Reopening Policy, I have made a modification to keep the policy in compliance with Governor Whitmer's Executive Order 147.

The full reopening policy is here: https://www.branchdistrictlibrary.org/pdf/policies/reopening-policy.pdf

The full text of Executive Order 147 is here: https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499 90705-534169--,00.html

On Page 11, stage 5 section E item 1 previously read:

"Patrons should wear masks if they are medically able to do so; the Library will provide masks if supplies are available."

After my change, it now reads:

"Patrons aged five years and older must wear a face covering if they are medically able to do so; the Library will provide a face covering if supplies are available."

This change uses the term "face covering" and the age definition employed in the executive order.

This change is presented here for review by the BDL Board of Trustees. In addition, I would request that we rename this policy from "Reopening Policy" to "COVID-19 Response and Reopening Policy", in recognition that the policy deals with more than just reopening.

Submitted by John Rucker