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In the spirit of being inclusive of teachers' voices, the superintendent asked the Charlottesville Education Association (CEA) to poll teachers to garner feedback about whether they want to continue to be required to wear a mask. On August 24, the CEA presented the superintendent with data and a recommendation with regards to staff masking. The CEA summary reads as follows: "From both this survey as well as the innumerable conversations I've had with colleagues, the overwhelming majority of people simply want the choice to mask or not."

### **Recommendation**

After conferring with the CEA, I am recommending that employees have the option to decide whether they want to wear a mask. I recommend that this takes effect on Friday, September 16 (10 days after the Labor Day holiday). Just as for our students, Cville Schools will recommend masking for staff when the community transmission rate is at medium or high.