

USD 113 board approves change in mask plan  
**(KMZA)--Beginning March 22, masks will be " recommended" rather than required in Prairie Hills USD 113.**

**Superintendent Todd Evans said the Board of Education voted to make the change during Monday evening's meeting.**

**Until then, the district's " Practical Mask Plan" will remain in place as is.**

**Evans said the Board took the action after hearing from a number of patrons on both sides of the issue and examining the results of a survey of parents and staff.**

**The Axtell School is currently under Marshall County's mask mandate, while the Sabetha and Wetmore schools are currently under the district's mask plan.**

**The Sabetha City Commission voted February 1 to rescind the city's mask mandate and the Nemaha County Commission voted last month to rescind the countywide mask mandate.**

**Evans said those mandates were more restrictive than the district's mask plan, which was approved in August.**