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Facial coverings (masks) will be required starting Thursday, July 23rd at 6pm. Defiance County will be monitoring compliance with facial coverings through the Defiance County Health Department. The primary goal is to educate why the use of a facial covering is important. Utilizing a facial covering is one method in preventing COVID-19 infection. The combination of social distancing, good hand hygiene, wearing a facial covering, avoiding large crowds, and staying home when you are sick will decrease your likelihood of being infected with COVID-19. The Defiance County Health Department will consult and work with the Defiance County Prosecutors Office to address any facial covering enforcement issues.

To notify the Defiance County Health Department of a facial covering issue please email the concern to coronavirus@defiancecohealth.org or visit https://defiancecohealth.org/covid19report/ Please include: the location of the concern, the nature of the concern, the date in which you observed, your name, and your phone number. We ask that all concerns are directed through these places. Please do not contact 911 communications center, local law enforcement, or fire departments regarding these concerns. Please keep these lines open for emergencies.

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