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I urge everyone to consider the effects that masks in schools can make.

I'm not denying the fact that when a child sneezes, a mask can catch their sneeze or cough like their shoulder would. But again, many doctors believe the small particles can still go through and around these cloth and drug store masks because they are not N95 therefore masks can't claim to completely stop infection.

Some doctors, including pediatricians here in Las Vegas, believe that masks do more harm than good in instances where kids rewear dirty masks for several days, they are worn for a prolonged time, it makes it so kids keep touching their face with dirty hands in trying to fix them, etc. While I don't know how masks affect oxygen levels and such, I sure know that they make breathing uncomfortable and it's uncomfortable for my kids as well. Not just a little, but enough that I believe it interrupts their thinking and focus and learning.

I also have talked with pediatricians that believe masks increase anxiety and mental health of kids gets damaged with masks. The "suffocating" feeling of them, not being able to see the smiles of their friends and teachers, not being able to read lips while learning about speech and letter sounds, wearing a mask in the hot Las Vegas sun.... All of it is wrong.

Lastly, let's remember that more children have died from suicides here in Clark County than Covid. Let's remember that kids who do catch Covid have very mild symptoms. Let's remember that kids don't spread Covid as easily. The data is out there. Doctors and pediatricians have spoken.

Let's do more for our kids. Let's keep them learning, in the classroom, in person, mask free. Thank you.

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