

## MARANATHA BAPTIST ACADEMY FACE COVERING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATION

On August 1, 2020, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers issued Emergency Order #1. The Order states that "every individual, age five and older, in Wisconsin shall wear a face covering" when "the individual is indoors or in an enclosed space, other than at a private residence; and; Another person or persons who are not members of individual's household or living unit are present in the same room or enclosed space."

The Order further specifies a number of exempt individuals, including, children under age five, individuals who have trouble breathing with a mask; individuals who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the face covering without assistance; individuals with medical conditions, intellectual or developmental disabilities, mental health conditions, or other sensory sensitivities that prevent the individual from wearing a face covering; and incarcerated individuals.

Maranatha Baptist University and Maranatha Baptist Academy encourage compliance with the law. Please note that the responsibilities imposed by the Order expressly apply to individuals, not institutions. Institutions are given no authority, responsibility, or guidance on enforcement of the Order upon their employees, customers, students, or the general public. Therefore, it is up to each individual to determine for themselves (and their minor children) whether an exemption may apply to them. Maranatha's interest in preserving the good health and accountability of its workforce and student body necessitates that the institution confirm that an individual who chooses not to wear a mask when otherwise required has claimed exemption under the Order. Once on file, Maranatha will not adjudicate or discern the validity of such a claim.

By signing this form as an employee, parent, or student, I am asserting a claim of exemption to the face covering requirement. In so doing, I assume all liability for this claim of exemption, including the potential penalties imposed by the Order should the claim of exemption be rejected by the appropriate authorities. I also understand that some duties, tasks, and activities may be denied to me without the use of a face covering (such as jobs in food preparation and service) where absolutely required for such participation. I also pledge not to use my exemption as an occasion to offend others and will do my best to maintain physical distancing and otherwise comply with workplace and campus health and safety quidelines.

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Once completed, please return this form to the Maranatha Baptist Academy office.

