



Statement Regarding “No Mask” Event Planned for September 16, 2020
September 8, 2020

Media Borough Council and the Media Business Authority have learned that an anti-mask event has been planned for September 16, 2020, during Media’s regularly scheduled “Dining Out” event. Media Borough Council recently passed an ordinance requiring that masks be worn while attending any event within the borough for which a mass gathering permit has been issued. The “Dining Out” events regularly scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday evenings (with Saturday as a rain date), are mass gathering permitted events and, therefore, masks are required per the borough’s recent [ordinance 1141 of 2020](#)¹

Those who attend the “Dining Out” event or plan to participate in the “no mask” rally on September 16 and who are in violation of the Media Borough Mask Ordinance for mass gatherings will be subject to removal from the event and/or fines. Non compliance with the mask ordinance could also result in suspension of the mass gathering permit for “Dining Out” events and could force cancellation of subsequent events. No one wants to see these events cancelled. They are vital to Media businesses and restaurants, especially during the pandemic.

Although the COVID-19 case numbers continue to decline in Delaware County, recent evidence from the PA Health Department has highlighted [business settings and mass gatherings as possible sites for transmission](#)². Based on contact tracing and a new questionnaire that the state is issuing for positive cases, mass gathering events appear to contribute to the continuing incidence of the virus. Please remember to wear a mask while attending any mass gathering permitted event in the borough. Masks may be removed while seated at a table for dining.

¹ Mask Ordinance 1141 of 2020

https://www.mediaborough.com/sites/default/files/fileattachments/community/page/21931/ord_1141_2020_0825103207.pdf

² PA contact tracing:

<https://www.governor.pa.gov/newsroom/pennsylvania-shares-update-on-covid-19-early-warning-monitoring-dashboard-county-transmission-levels-cases-traced-to-businesses-2/>