



Representative Tavia Galonski Representative Bride Rose Sweeney

Secretary Frank LaRose
22 N. 4th St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

August 4, 2020

Dear Mr. Secretary,

Over the past four months, Ohio has taken incredible measures to control the spread of the novel Coronavirus. As the number of cases and hospitalizations increase it is more important than ever for safety measures to be taken in every facet of normal life, including our elections. Ohioans eyes are set on the upcoming General Election but are wary after the confusion that surrounded the Primary Election.

That is why we are requesting that you develop and distribute a COVID-19 Hygiene Plan for the General Election. Every single Ohioan has the right to vote and vote safely. This plan should detail:

1. What rigorous sanitization practices are being implemented (ex// wiping down high touch surfaces, making hand sanitizer available, etc.)
2. Strict social distancing requirements
3. Requiring voters and workers to wear face coverings
 - a. Making masks available in the event that someone does not have one
 - b. Having a standard protocol for those not able to wear masks so that they can vote safely and without putting others at risk
4. Encouraging curbside voting and absentee voting

The COVID-19 Hygiene Plan should be distributed to each county's board of elections for them to ensure that every polling place follows the exact same guidelines.

Every election is important and every voter is important. We must ensure that Ohioans not only know exactly what to expect when they enter their polling place, but also that their safety is just as much a priority as their constitutional rights. Your swift action is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bride Rose Sweeney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial.

Rep. Tavia Galonski
35th House District

Rep. Bride Rose Sweeney
14th House District