

**NEW YORK STATE SENATOR** 

James Tedisco

## Tedisco, Senate Republicans Call on Hochul to End the Mandates

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Senator Jim Tedisco (R,C-Glenville) today joined his Senate Republican Conference to call on Governor Kathy Hochul to end her unconstitutional mask mandate on our schools and announced that they will force a vote on a motion on the state Senate Floor today to end all of the Governor's mandates

promulgated through her Department of Health.

"It's beyond time for Governor Hochul to follow the science and lift her imperial mask mandate on our schools and unmask our kids now and not make them suffer for several more weeks with the physical impact and emotional and psychological toll of wearing the masks. Our neighboring states New Jersey and Massachusetts have ended their mandates, it's time for New York to follow suit," said Senator Jim Tedisco, Ranking Member of the NYS Senate's Education Committee, and a former special education teacher, guidance counselor, school athletic director and high school basketball coach.

"If the Governor continues her stubborn obstinance on this, then the legislature should pass legislation (<u>S.8319</u>) I am sponsoring with Assemblyman Chris Tague to prohibit the state from forcing children to wear the masks!" said Senator Tedisco.