



Windham School District

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School Administrative Unit 95

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Today we have received confirmation from DHHS of zero additional cases reported maintaining our total COVID count within the WHS student body at 18. Windham community members that are not WHS students or staff are suppressed in our reported school total. In the interest of caution and safety, and with the support of DHHS, we have decided to keep all high school students in a full remote model at least through Monday, September 21st in order to allow a full 14-day incubation period to pass prior to resuming in-person instruction. All high school sports and the CTE program will also remain suspended.

It is our hope that these adjustments will allow DHHS to continue their original contact tracing efforts and work directly with the families that are involved to help mitigate any additional potential exposure. In order for DHHS to have successful contact tracing efforts, it is pertinent that the families that are contacted be forthcoming with any and all social gatherings within their infectious period. We will continue to work in partnership with DHHS to keep our community updated.

All other students (PK-8) will continue with their predetermined schedules and after school activities. As a reminder, all students who have tested positive for COVID, their siblings, those who were in close contact with an individual who has tested positive, and their siblings, have been contacted by DHHS and will adhere to their recommended quarantine time. If you have clarifying questions about what quarantine time is, please clarify with DHHS by calling 271-4496.

You can learn more about COVID-19 in NH by accessing the State of NH COVID-19 webpage at:
<https://www.nh.gov/covid19/index.htm>

The safety and well-being of our students, staff, and community is always our foremost concern. We recommend following the district's safety protocols (<https://bit.ly/2Zvrh2P>) and continuing to conduct daily self-checks before leaving the house. If anyone in your household is not feeling well or symptomatic, please stay home and contact your medical physician for guidance. We are reminding our community at large of the social responsibility we all have to remain proactive and adhere to the Governor's orders of social gatherings:
<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/documents/emergency-order-65.pdf>,
<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/documents/emergency-order-63.pdf> and the recommendations from CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html> relative to face coverings and social distancing.

We will update the community and make further decisions before the end of next week based on the continued consultation with DHHS. We appreciate our community's continued support and diligence to help reduce the risk and potential spread of the COVID-19 virus. Every small step can lead to big changes.

Thank you,

Richard Langlois
Superintendent of Schools