

# SAU 70 Returns to School

July 23, 2020

# Staff Survey Information

# Number of staff who responded

Hanover High School	30.81%	114
Marion Cross	14.86%	55
Bernice Ray Elementary School	29.19%	108
Richmond Middle School	21.62%	80
SAU office	3.51%	13

# Who responded by position?

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>57.03%</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Support Staff</b>	<b>34.05%</b>	<b>126</b>
<b>Custodian / Maintenance Staff</b>	<b>2.43%</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Food Service Staff</b>	<b>.81%</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Administrator</b>	<b>5.86%</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>370</b>

# Staff technology question

I have consistent and reliable access to the internet at home?

Yes	89.13%	328
No	10.87%	40
Total		368

If we return to a remote or hybrid model, I will need access to the school building for internet and technological reasons?

<b>Yes</b>	<b>18.43%</b>	<b>68</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>81.58%</b>	<b>301</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>369</b>

# Family Survey Data

Total number of students included in the  
survey by grade level  
Percentage: 80.16%



<b>Grade level</b>	<b>1st Student</b>	<b>2nd Student</b>	<b>3rd Student</b>	<b>4th Student</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>1539</b>	<b>Total number</b>	<b>1920</b>	

If school opens for in-person instruction in the fall, following CDC and DHHS guidelines, do you plan to send your student(s)?

Yes	79.44%	769
No	7.13%	69
Total		968

Many factors are important when planning to reopen schools. Please rate from 1 (least important) to 5 (most important) the following when considering your student(s) attending school in person?

	1	2	3	4	5	Total
COVID-19 Vaccine availability	26.23% 246	15.35% 144	27.19% 255	8.96% 84	22.28% 209	938
Mandated masks for staff	6.49% 62	4.50% 43	9.21% 88	12.77% 122	67.02% 640	955
Mandated face shields	22.59% 209	15.46% 143	26.59% 246	10.59% 98	24.76% 229	925
Mandated mask for students (age appropriate)	8.57% 82	5.12% 49	10.24% 98	13.17% 126	62.90% 602	957
Social distancing- in class, during recess, during lunch etc.	7.87% 75	6.93% 66	18.26% 174	18.05% 172	48.90% 466	953
Handwashing schedule	4.83% 46	4.83% 46	11.44% 109	18.89% 180	60.02% 572	953
Enhanced disinfecting schedule-desk, doorknobs, bathrooms, etc	5.01% 48	4.59% 44	9.07% 87	15.85% 152	65.48% 628	959
Temperature check of student upon entering	7.45% 71	8.29% 79	17.00% 162	17.10% 163	50.16% 478	953
Temperature check of staff upon entering	6.93% 66	7.87% 75	15.74% 150	16.47% 157	52.99% 505	653

# Planning Timeline

## **Key Dates:**

7/27 - Follow-up staff survey

7/28 - Family survey - remote option

8/05 - Draft Plan distributed for public review

8/06 - Public “Town Hall” Meeting / Panel Discussion

8/10 - SAU special meeting to consider plan

8/25 - First day for staff

9/01 - Four-day family and student orientation begins

9/08 - Regular classes begin

# SAU 70 School Start Task Force

- Began work in June
- Started with little state guidance, had to consider remote, in-person, and hybrid contingencies
- Focus on student, staff, and community health
- Multiple Work Groups focus on Operations, Health & Safety, Teaching & Learning, Whole Child Supports, Communications, Facilities, and Technology
- Team includes teacher and support staff leaders, school nurses, building and SAU administrators, HR, medical advisor, public health official, board liaison, and most recently, counselors.



Dr. Jay Badams - Superintendent	Jamie Teague - Business Administrator	Julie Stevenson - HHS Assoc. Principal
Candace Nattie - School Nurse	Pam Hausler - School Nurse	Karen Wright - Project Coordinator, SAU
Lynn McRae - School Nurse	Abigale Pelletier - School Nurse	Anissa Morrison - RMS Assoc. Principal
Katie Cormier - MCS Counselor	John LaCrosse - RMS Counselor	Amy Tallman - Human Resources Coordinator
Chris Seibel - HHS Counselor	Karen Strickland - Ray Counselor	Shannon Howe - Database Specialist, SAU
Laura Perras - School Nurse	Mathew Zweeres - Facilities Dept. Coordinator	Kathryn Bonyai - School Nurse
Elizabeth Murray - HHS Teacher/HEA President	Rosemary Ayers - Ed Assistant/HSS Representative	Dr. Steve Chapman - Director, Boyle Community Pediatrics, DHMC
Ania White - MCS Teacher/NEA President	Tim Boyle - RMS Principal	Josh Mulloy - Technical Director, SAU
Tony Daigle - Director of Facilities, SAU	Ryanne Schoonover - Admin Asst. to Super	Rhett Darak - Director of Student Services
Shawn Gonyaw - MCS Principal	Lauren Amrhein - Ray School Principal	Jonathan Hunt - SAU 70 Board Chair
James Logan - HHS Principal	Deb Beaupre - HHS Assoc. Principal	Carol Ahern - HHS Ed Assistant/HSS President
Michael Hinsley - Health Officer, Hanover, NH		

# Preliminary Task Force Recommendations

**\*\*\*DETAILS TBD\*\*\***

## **Delayed Start Date for Students**

The NH DOE has approved a three-day adjustment period that will allow schools to familiarize their staffs with new health and safety protocols and to prepare classrooms. The Commissioner has informed us that these days will count toward our mandated 180 days of instruction. **For our schools, this means that August 27, 28, and 31 will be non-attendance days for students.**

**In addition, we are creating plans to provide four days of mixed remote and in-person instruction for our students and families to familiarize them with our new protocols from September 1 - 4, so that our first day of regular in-person or remote instruction will be Tuesday, September 8.**

## In-Person Start with Remote Option

Our initial family survey indicates an expected in-person enrollment of about 80% of our students. The 20% of students whose parents are uncomfortable with in-person instruction will need a remote option. We will be conducting brief staff and family questionnaires to determine more accurate projections and **we recommend offering a remote alternative for those families who need it.**

## **Implementation of American Academy of Pediatrics Guidance for Social Distancing in Schools**

Our Task Force recommends basing our in-person school start plans on the American Academy of Pediatrics guidance with regard to social distancing in schools. The AAP recommends balancing social distancing with children's educational, social, emotional, and mental well-being needs. Combined with growing research that indicates lower rates of infection and transmission among children and between children and adults, they suggest a minimum three-foot social distancing guideline for students, combined with other precautions including cloth face coverings. Of course, we will use large rooms and outdoor spaces to maximize distancing. To protect our employees, we will base our planning on CDC recommendations of 6-foot distancing for adults.

## **Implementation of Emerging Best Practices in Health Management**

In addition to requiring cloth face coverings, our Task Force is creating protocols for health screening, outbreak management, contact tracing, hand washing, cleaning and disinfecting, student grouping, bus transportation, movement within buildings, and a long list of other public health considerations. The SAU is committed to providing thorough training and professional development for students, families and employees as soon as these protocols are completed.

## **Implementation of a Three Phase Protocol for Outbreak Response**

Our Task Force recommends adopting a Three Phase Outbreak Response Protocol.

While our Work Groups continue to work on specific disease thresholds, the categories include:

Phase 1: High incidence of disease, schools close, remote instruction

Phase 2: Low to moderate incidence, hybrid instruction to minimize contact

Phase 3: Very low incidence, in-person instruction with appropriate precautions

## **Public Review of Draft Plan and “Town Hall” Meetings**

Our Task Force recommends releasing the draft School Start Plan to the public for review on Wednesday, August 5. On August 6, we would like to hold an open “Town Hall” type meeting and panel discussion. We recommend reporting the feedback to the SAU 70 Board at a special meeting on Monday, August 10, and to seek the board’s approval for the revised plan. We next recommend a series of similar forums at each of our schools in the following two weeks.