



Superintendent Report

Sweet Home Central School District

Michael V. Ginestre
September 21, 2021



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Shelter-in-Place, Sept. 20, 2021

- 9 a.m. Shelter-in-Place called in the HS due to a violent action happening in the 100-hallway.
- The action was immediately addressed by school administration, counselors, and teachers. All parties involved were separated.
- Parents were called and asked to bring all involved home.
- Shelter-in-place was lifted. However, students that were visibly upset and some screaming in 300-wing prompted another shelter-in-place. More students sent home.
- After a sweep of the building, classes resumed and normal school operations continued.
- All students involved have been accounted for. Further school disciplinary action is taking place.
- Also, we worked in conjunction with the Amherst Police throughout the day. Charges are pending.



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Shelter-in-Place, Sept. 20, 2021

- Administrative team, along with counselors and teachers were present in hallways when these incidents occurred which brought them to a quick end.
- We have met internally to debrief and discuss safety measures moving forward.
- Increase supervisory and police presence.
- Counselors at work with families.



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Board of Education Retreat

October 15, 2021

Agenda Development:

- NYSSBA Presentation
on Board Relations,
Roles, Duties,
Responsibilities



Sweet Home Central School District
"EVERY STUDENT, ONE COMMUNITY, READY FOR THE FUTURE."



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Vaccine Mandate

- Employees

- Must be fully vaccinated or be subject to weekly testing.
- Signed agreement today with USA Medical to provide free, on-site PCR testing on a weekly basis to employees
- Includes faculty, staff, vendors, contractors, and substitutes.
- Currently, we have 80 employees out of approximately 800 that have not reported or are not vaccinated.



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Proximal and Surveillance Testing Layer

- Paid for and administered through Erie County.
- Parental consent is obtained.
- Proximal testing is conducted on a classroom that has a positive case.
- Surveillance testing is randomized testing of 10 percent of the population on a weekly basis.
- A health professional from Buffalo Home Care has been assigned to the district today and meeting with us this week to start the program.



Welcome to Erie County, NY

Erie County, NY Department of Health



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Sweet Home COVID-19 Dashboard

9/13-9/18

Students:

HS	10
ES	5
MS	0

Staff:

1

9/20-9/21

Students:

HS	0
ES	0
MS	1

Staff:

0

Sports Pause: 1 case caused all unvaccinated players to go on pause. This resulted in not enough players to play. 10-day pause for team.

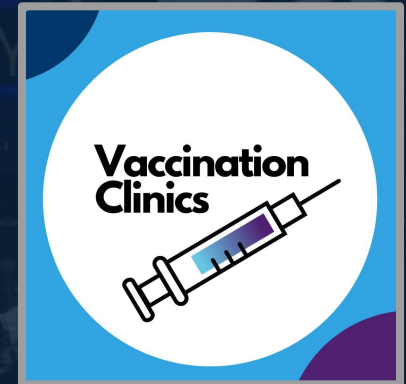
*Working in conjunction with ECDOH, all parties have been reported to the dashboard and personally contacted by the district. All close contacts have also been personally contacted by the district. School transmission is zero.



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Vaccine Clinic

- Working in Conjunction with Rite Aid
 - September 24 First Dose
 - October 15 Second Dose
 - 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 - In the Vergils Community Center at District Office
 - Those who sign up will receive a confirmation text and email with the time slot and a form to fill out and bring for Rite Aid.



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Transportation Shortage

- An influx of new students over the summer and a lack of drivers is causing delays.
- Meeting with Transportation tomorrow to discuss after-school runs.
- We are buying time with transportation so they can learn new routines. We expect this to partially right itself.
- Afternoon runs are razor thin.



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Maplemere Temporary Classroom

- On site as of 9/17/21
- Used for intervention services. Students will not be housed in temporary classroom for the entire day, just for services.
- Mechanicals are being installed.
- On track for use on October 1.



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North Amherst Community Center

- Met with Amherst Supervisor Brian Kulpa on Sept. 17.
- Lawyers making final review.
- We plan to meet again next week to finalize agreement.
- Expect to have that to the Board shortly thereafter for your review.
- Planning to be on the agenda for the October BOE voting meeting.



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Questions from the Board?

STRENGTH OF MIND AND BODY

Discipline yourself to be at your best to conquer adversity and challenge.

Preparation * Perseverance * Resilience * Focus * Energy

QUALITY RELATIONSHIPS

Build a support network of people that inspire you and challenge you to thrive.

Honesty * Empathy * Thoughtfulness * Respect * Trust

ACCOUNTABILITY

Take ownership of your life direction and master the sea.

Discipline * Responsibility * Reliability * Independence * Problem Solving

COURAGE TO LEAD

Believe in something that can improve the human condition, and show others the way.

Character * Humility * Communication * Service * Inspiration

