

# Return to In-Person Learning Next Steps

## Why Now

- It's in the best interest of students' social emotional and academic health.
- Indicators are met and local COVID metrics are highly favorable.
- State / CDC guidance identified returning students to school as a priority and established guidelines which allow for flexibility in social distancing as long as there are robust mitigation efforts in place.
- Three months of local data have shown no in-school transmission.
  - Schools using lower social distancing standards since October have not experienced in-school transmission (ex. Gloucester / Beverly)
- Vaccination program is in underway but not a prerequisite to return to in-person learning per DESE and CDC.

# Elementary In-Person Return

- Return Timeline
  - March 22
    - ½ Day Remote K-2
    - Asynchronous for teachers shifting models (3-5 and specialists)
  - March 23 – All K-5 students return
    - All mitigation efforts remain in place
    - Specialist transition to in-person no later than March 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Monday 1/2 days continue through March 22<sup>nd</sup> and then revert back to original release day schedule (April 5, May 3 & June 7).

	Essex	Memorial
K-2	1	3
3-5	5	3
K-5 Enrollment = 449		
2.5 % of Elem. Students intend to be fully remote until end of year		

# Elementary In-Person Return

## Remote Learning Changes

- Step back from hyflex – move to livestreaming supported by in room para/monitor
- Serves remote only students & students under DPH/School Quarantine or COVID illness
- Remote access not available for travel or typical absence (sick/appointment)
  - Families must commit to mode of learning – will not be able to shift modes day-to-day / week-to-week

## Livestreaming

- Key Change: *Primary mode of instruction and lesson design is for in-person classroom learning*
- Remote student remains in current class
- Remote student views lessons being taught by classroom teacher
- Remote student aided by an in-classroom education assistant
  - Bridge between school and home



# MHS Enhanced Hybrid Plan Overview

- In-Person Available to all 6-12 students on either April 12<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Dependent on furniture delivery
- Return
  - All students able to attend five days per week
  - All mitigation efforts remain in place
    - Average 4 Feet Social Distancing in Classrooms
    - Masks, Sanitization Schedule, Handwashing, Distancing, MedBot Attestation, Pooled Testing & Contact Tracing
    - Maintain 6 feet social distancing at lunch
  - At times students will need to work from overflow spaces to maintain social distancing
- Hyflex remains in place
  - Serves in-person overflow, remote only students & students under DPH/School Quarantine or COVID illness
  - Remote Only Students
    - MS – 23%
    - HS – 50%
  - Remote access not available for travel
- Monday release days continue as scheduled through the end of the year (April 5, May 3 & June 7).

# School Level Details

Middle School Plan

High School Plan

