

# Superintendent's Update

*Recommend Amending Local Policy to Align with Revisions to State Level Guidance.*

## DESE COVID Guidance Update

- Effective **Tuesday, May 18**, students no longer have to wear masks when outdoors, even if distance cannot be maintained. Adults must continue to wear masks outdoors if distancing cannot be maintained. **At this time, adults and students must continue to wear masks inside schools.**
- Students can now share classroom materials.
- In alignment with state guidance, the gathering limits for school events with outside participants will be lifted starting May 29, 2021.

**NOTE:** *Face coverings remain required indoors for staff and students of K-12 schools and early education providers.*

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## MIAA Guidance Update

- Athletes on spring teams in active play outdoors *are not required* to wear a mask/facial covering.
- Athletes when they are on the bench or in a dugout *are not required* to wear a mask/facial covering.
- Athletes in low-risk sports when indoors where a distance of at least 14 feet or more is consistently maintained between each participant, *are not required* to wear a mask/ facial covering.
- Spectators and chaperones, coaches, staff, referees, umpires and other officials who can social distance while outdoors, *are not required* to wear a mask/face covering.
- Visitors, spectators, volunteers, and staff while indoors *are required* to wear mask/facial covering.

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## Vision of the Graduate & Strategic Planning

- Timeline

- ✓ Training & Document Review - March
- ✓ **Survey**
- ✓ Data Review Meeting – April 28th
- ✓ World Café Focus Groups May 5<sup>th</sup> (4:00 / 7:00)
- Synthesize Inputs & Generate Recommendations – May 19
- Convening: School Committee, Admin Team, Steering Committee meet in a facilitated goal setting session draft strategic plan informed by the work of the steering committee. May 24 and/or 25

- Outcome

- A Vision of the Graduate & Strategic Plan that provides a district wide framework from to guide the annual improvement process undertaken by all schools and departments.

## General Updates

- Graduation Day – June 4<sup>th</sup>
- Tentative Last Day of School – June 16<sup>th</sup>
  
- School Committee Meetings
  - June 1 – Regular Business Meeting
  - May 25/26 – VOG / Strategic Planning Session
  - June 21 – 4:30 Business Meeting Ahead of Manchester ATM

# Looking Ahead to 2021-2022

- Begin year with in-person structure similar in structure to our current model
- Will be prepared to offer a continuum of learning models should there be fluctuations in COVID conditions
  - In-Person  $\longleftrightarrow$  Hybrid  $\longleftrightarrow$  Remote
- MERSD will not offer a remote only option in the fall
  - All students will be expected to enroll for full in-person learning