

COVID Report 5.4.21

❖ COVID Metrics –

- Essex & Manchester – Green
- No evidence of in-school spread identified
 - 1.1% Student Positive Reported to Date
 - 7.5% Staff Positive Reported to Date
 - 0 Student to Staff / Staff to Student Close Contacts

❖ Testing

- Began MHS Student/Faculty Pooled Testing 2.23.21
 - No Positive Pools the Month (only 1 to date)
 - Declining Interest by Students/Families
 - State Funding to Continue Through End of School Year
 - Determination to continue in Fall 21 to be made Summer 21

Green – Meeting Indicator

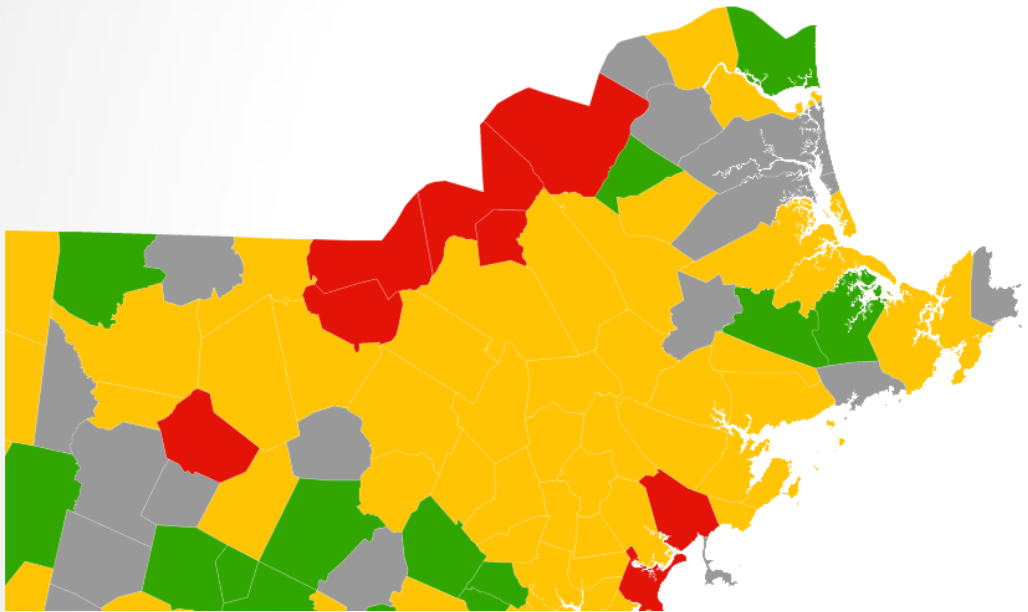
Yellow – In Progress

Red – Not Meeting Indicator

April 2 - May 4

	District	Essex	Memorial	Middle	High School	4-May	2-Apr	2-Mar	2-Feb	5-Jan	1-Dec*	Total To Date
COVID Positives												
Student	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	1	5	3	1	14
Faculty/Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	9	2	15
						1	0	0	7	12	3	23
COVID Quarantines												
Student Close Contact to Student	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Student Close Contact w/ Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Student External Close Contact	0	1	1	1	3	6	8	8	7	5	10	44
						6	8	8	7	5	11	45
Staff Close Contact to Student	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Close Contact w/ Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	7
Staff External Close Contact	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	5	5	17
						0	1	1	6	8	8	24
No Coverage Remote Only Days												
District/School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Classroom Quarantine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Classroom Coverage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	10
Specialized Program Classroom Coverage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4
						0	0	0	0	7	1	8

COVID Map



Cape Ann League - Red

Cape Ann League – Yellow

- Amesbury
- Beverly *
- Georgetown
- Gloucester
- Ipswich
- Lynnfield
- Marblehead*
- Newburyport
- North Reading
- Salisbury (Triton)
- Wenham

Cape Ann League – Green

- **Essex**
- Groveland (Pentucket)
- Hamilton
- **Manchester**

Cape Ann League – Gray

- Merrimac (Pentucket)
- Newbury (Triton)
- Rockport*
- Rowley (Triton)
- West Newbury (Pentucket)

**Co-Op or Border Community*

❖ Staffing

- Always a challenge but stabilizing
- Reduced impact from COVID Vaccinations as staff completes

❖ Program

❖ Budget

- No Change to COVID Expenses since last report
- Final Calculation in June

	COVID FY21 Cost Projection to Date	
<i>Total Costs Before State/Federal Aid</i>	\$1,381,000	\$1,615,200
<i>CARES/ESSA Reimbursement</i>	<i>\$403,000</i>	<i>\$654,729</i>
<i>Projected FEMA Reimbursement @ 75%</i>	<i>\$156,000</i>	
<i>Total Cost to District After State/Federal Aid (Reserve Use)</i>	\$822,000	\$960,471

Superintendent's Update

Vision of the Graduate & Strategic Planning

- Timeline

- ✓ Training & Document Review - March
- ✓ **Survey**
- ✓ Data Review Meeting – April 28th
- **World Café Focus Groups May 5th (4:00 / 7:00)**
- Synthesize Inputs & Generate Recommendation - May
- **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.

Congratulations!

MERHS Ranked 23rd in US News World Report MA HS Rankings

General Updates

- Begun Hiring Process for Fall 2021
- May 18th Middle High School – Half Day due to Manchester Election
- Graduation Day – June 4th
- Tentative Last Day of School – June 16th

- School Committee Meetings
 - May 15th – Essex Town Meeting Saturday
 - May 18th & June 1 – Regular Business Meeting
 - May 25/26 – VOG / Strategic Planning Session

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
- Key Dates – Full Calendar for May 16th Mtg.
 - Teacher Professional Days – 8.30-31
 - First Day of School for Students – 9.1.21
 - Holiday Break – 12.23 ½ Day / 12.24 – 1.2.22
 - February Break – 2.21.22 - 2.25.22
 - Aprils Break - 4.18.22 - 4.22.22
 - Graduation – 6.3.22
 - Tentative Last Day of School – 6.15.22 (6.22 w/ 5 snow days)

School Choice 2021-2022

- School Choice
 - FY22 Enroll 17 Students to maintain FY20 Revenue
- Recommendation for Distribution
 - 12-14 Students @ elementary approx. 7 per school
 - 3-5 @ MS Grade 6
- Confirm Elem Grade Levels by May 3rd
 - Likely K-1/3
- Lottery on May 5th w/ notifications by May 7th