REOPENING PLAN – Winter/Spring, 2024 SAU 71 - Lempster

"We shall never know if we overreacted, but it will be quickly apparent if we underreacted."

The Lempster School will continue its standard operation in the early part of 2024.

The school has maintained ample supplies of masks and gloves should the need for using them return. We have not seen a reason to implement any changes to this plan. Reports have indicated there has been an increase of Covid cases, with some medical facilities implementing masking, but not to the point of needing to return to masking in the school.

We continue to follow the CDC suggestions of encouraging isolation for five days and masking for five ensuing days should someone be testing positive for Covid. Our nurse is continually monitoring the NH DHHS site as well as maintaining communication with area schools.

<u>Bus</u>

Students at the bus stop will have a means to return home should hey demonstrate obvious symptoms while waiting for the bus. If a student presents will obvious illness symptoms the student be asked to return home

Arrival

Upon arrival If a student presents with obvious illness symptoms the student will report to the nurse's office where he/she will be treated. If the child presents with a significant illness (vomiting, etc.) the school will contact the family and the child will be sent home. Testing for Covid will be encouraged. Masks will be available for the child while in the school.

Staff

If staff presents with obvious illness symptoms the staff will report to the nurse's office where he/she will be treated. If the staff is determined to have a significant illness (vomiting, etc.) the staff will be sent home. Testing for Covid will be encouraged. Masks will be available for the staff while in the school. Staff is encouraged to call administration at the onset of symptoms.

Classroom

Students will wash their hands with soap and water (preferred) or use hand sanitizer throughout the day and before lunch and after using the restroom.

Nurse

Tara, Ralph, or Jim will fill in for the nurse on days she is not here or unavailable.

Lunch periods

The cafeteria has markers on the floor indicating the six-foot distance nearness limitation for students. Distance is always appropriate for students lining up to receive their lunch.

Students will be handed their entire lunch, including food, drink and utensils.

Cafeteria table seats will have limited number of students at each table

Tables will be cleaned/disinfected after each meal.

Ongoing prevention

Walls, doors, crash-bars, windows and anything within a child's reach will be wiped down throughout the day.

Almost every room has a fan or air exchanger which will be left on for continuous air flow. Air exchange is the most effective way to reduce the spread of the SARS-CoV-2.

Filters in the ceilings will be changed as needed.

ERU in gym monitors Co2 particles and automatically turns on when 800/ml is reached. We have programmed it to turn on at 400/ml to keep air exchanging.

IF it is weather appropriate, THEN teachers will instruct outside.

Dismissal

Pick up will continue to be in back of the gym.

<u>Instructional Preparation</u>

An important lesson taught by the nurse and reinforced by other teacher is how to avoid spreading the SARS-CoV-2 viruses as well as other viruses.

Guidance preparing for in school and out of school support for students and families.

Communication.

The superintendent will continue to update all families every Tuesday via a weekly newsletter.

Teachers will reach out to individual families via class Dojo as needed.

The school will follow recommendations for the NH DHHS and the CDC

This document will be updated every season to every six months as needed.