

South Lewis Central School District

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Dear South Lewis School Community:

I hope this communication finds everyone having a wonderful summer. We are excited about the 2021-22 school year and all that is before us.

Yesterday, NYSDOH Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker released a statement informing school districts that no guidance would be forthcoming regarding the re-opening of schools in the fall. Rather, they recommended that schools follow guidelines from the CDC and local health departments.

This announcement was an unexpected turn of events from the past 17 months and is a move to reestablish local control in our schools. With this new information the District intends to work diligently over the next few weeks to make informed and sound decisions regarding our protocols and practices for the 2021-22 school year.

The District plans to work with our partners at Lewis County Public Health, reconvene our Re-Opening Task Force, and solicit feedback on key topics from our school community in order to inform our decisions. Our tentative timeline is to have our start-of-the-year school operations information to our school community the week of August 23-27.

Please know that it is our intention and goal to have a full return of all students to every day in-person instruction. We will do so with the appropriate and reasonable health and safety precautions necessary that do not impede this goal.

Thank you for your continued understanding, patience and ongoing cooperation as we work to best serve our students, faculty/staff, and entire school and local community. Be well and be safe.

Sincerely,



Douglas Premo
Superintendent of Schools