

Medway Public Schools
Medway, MA

TO: Members of the School Committee
FROM: Armand Pires, Ph.D., Superintendent

Agenda
School Committee Meeting - October 21, 2021
6:00 p.m.
Medway Middle School, Presentation Room door #7
45 Holliston Street

A. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Roll Call
- a. Introduction of Student Liaison

B. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Warrant
- b. Grants:
 - i. American Rescue Plan IDEA Part B
- c. Minutes
 - i. October 14, 2021

C. PRESENTATION

- a. Fall 2021 Pandemic Mitigation Funding
Armand Pires, Superintendent
Gabby Abrams, Assistant Superintendent

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

E. ACTION ITEMS

- a. **For Consideration: Authorize the Superintendent to file for an exemption of the DESE Mask Mandate** as Medway High School has reached a greater than 80% vaccination rate, for students and staff. The DESE is allowing districts to request an exemption to the mask mandate for any schools that have achieved a vaccination rate, of students and staff, of greater than 80%. Medway High School is the only school to achieve this benchmark. The exemption to mask wearing, if accepted by DESE, will only apply to fully vaccinated individuals. Unvaccinated, or partially vaccinated individuals, as well as all visitors and guests are required to continue to wear a mask.

- b. **For Consideration: Approve the updated Face Covering Policy EBCFA**, which allows for vaccinated students and staff to opt to not wear a mask at Medway High School, if the DESE exemption to the mask mandate is granted and executed.
- c. **For Consideration: Approve the implementation of the mask exemption for vaccinated Medway High School students and staff only**, beginning no earlier than November 1, with the understanding that should the case count increase, or there be evidence of in-school transmission, the Superintendent is authorized to reinstate a mask requirement for all individuals, regardless of vaccination status.
- d. **For Consideration: to authorize expenditures for the Pandemic Mitigation Response.** At the June 10, 2021 meeting, the committee was presented with requests for phase 1 funding for pandemic mitigation and program improvement. At this time, the administration is making additional requests for funding associated with pandemic mitigation and program improvement.
- e. Other- *This time is being reserved for topics that the chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed.*

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

- a. Technology Capital requests
- b. COVID-19 Updates
- c. Other: *This time is being reserved for topics that the chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed.*

G. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

- Chairperson Update
- Superintendent Update
- Assistant Superintendent Update
- Committee Members' / Subcommittees' Update

H. INFORMATION ITEMS AND COMMUNICATIONS

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Superintendent's Award of Academic Excellence
- Tuition Rate Discussion: Pre School, Early Childhood and Community Ed
- Light the Spark Award
- NESDEC Awards
- Academic Assessment Review
- FY22 Budget Reconfiguration (with Select Board and Finance Committee)

J. NEXT MEETINGS

- Regular Meeting, **November 4, 2021, 6:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- Regular Meeting, **November 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- Budget Reconfiguration Meeting **December 2, 2021, 5:30 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- Regular Meeting, **December 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- Regular Meeting, **January 6, 2022, 6:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway
- Regular Meeting, **January 20, 2022, 6:00 p.m.**, in the presentation room, Medway Middle School, 45 Holliston Street, Medway

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