

**Return to School (RtS) Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 3, 2021**  
**4PM**

**Attendees:**

Jessica Berry, Adam Bullard, Shasta Minery, Alane Kennedy, Autumn Belajonas, Kate Bourne, Meghan Elwell, Meghan Rice, Ruth Thompson, Amy Drinkwater, Beckie Delaney, Sonja Schmanska, Amy Hufnagel, Ashley Geel, Stephanie Simmons

**Resources:**

[2021-2022 School Plan](#)

[Current SOP](#)

**1. Student-Led Conferences**

**a. Date & [Plan](#)**

Student led conferences will be held on December 9th and 10th. Parents will sign up for meeting times through Liz. We will keep 10 minute buffers between meetings and clean/sanitize before another family arrives. Zoom and in person meetings will be offered. The team agreed to the proposed plan. Information/Sign-Ups will be sent to parents in the coming weeks.

**2. [Quarantine & Hybrid Plan](#)**

Adam spoke with several surrounding schools to find out what they were offering for a hybrid plan. Based on the information from other schools we developed the following Hybrid Plan.

**Students in quarantine are sent home with a device**

**Work packets and/or assignments put on SeeSaw/Google Classroom.**

**Students receive 2 synchronous experiences each week. One asynchronous check in daily.**

**At the 6-8 level: students have the OPTION of passive remote. Passive remote is when a laptop is placed in the classroom for students to zoom into.**

**When transitioning to hybrid learning teachers will have 24 - 48 hours of transition time before the hybrid/remote delivery starts.**

It was determined that we will not quarantine whole classes unless they are all considered close contacts according to the SOP (which is unlikely). Now that a hybrid plan is in place and vaccination of younger students is possible we will move forward with offering the hybrid option.

Mrs. Berry will follow up with area nurses/principals about their understanding of seating charts in relation to the SOP

**3. Vaccinations & Clinics**

Autumn spoke with the Pen Bay Pharmacist coordinating COVID Clinics. Pediatrician offices will not be offering the vaccine for a period of time due to the coordination with PenBay and schools. The goal is to have schools host clinics so that students ages 5-11 can get their vaccine. PenBay is only coordinating with schools and will not partner with local organizations at this time.

The team agreed to hosting a clinic IF we can have it after school and parents can be present. Multiple team members expressed their concern with having it during the day, the view by the community of the school's promotion of vaccines by hosting a clinic during the school day, and how teachers would feel about younger student's behavioral/emotional reaction to getting a shot at school.

Autumn will reach out to Stacey, PenBay Pharmacist to find out if we can host a clinic after school and to get further details about the amount of time needed, how long the clinic needs to be, and how the registration/sign-up process is facilitated.

#### **4. Basketball Review**

MidCoast Superintendents created expectations/guidelines for high school and middle school basketball seasons. Important information in the document includes student athletes not being required to wear masks while playing, but being masked in all other areas, locker rooms being open and available, crowds being allowed to attend but must be masked, and the support/recommendation that student athletes participate in Pool Testing or get their vaccinations.

Ashley Geel will reach out to other AD's in the area to see if they are considering rapid testing, and to find out if their athletes will be wearing masks during competition.

The team will meet again on the 17th to finalize guidelines.

The group agreed to allowing Parks & Rec access to the gym for their basketball program. Ashley Geel and Jess Berry will meet with Ben Vail to review expectations when they are finalized.

#### **5. Pool Testing**

The committee agreed to having Autumn move forward with initial steps to register St. George School for pool testing. Once initial steps for preparation are completed the RtS committee will determine if we want to move forward with implementation.

#### **6. Outbreak Response Plan (Jess & Autumn)**

The RtS committee reviewed the Outbreak Response Plan as outlined in the SOP. We agreed to follow as is. It was stated that closing the school will likely not be necessary if we are in outbreak.

**7. Update on Rapid Testing (Autumn)**

NOT DISCUSSED

**8. Update on Lunch Procedures**

- a. Trash: Middle Level students are taking turns cleaning up trash weekly
  - b. Awning - N/A
  - c. Bees: Modern Pest came and killed the bees!
  - d. Extra Picnic Tables: The tables are put together and are being used.
9. The RtS committee agreed to updating our RtS (Blue) Plan to allow the school to have a lost and found. Adam will post pictures regularly on the school FB page for parents to see what is in the pile!