

# Cape Schools Open Minds and Open Doors

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District Planning Team: Meeting #3 Update  
July 7, 2020

The District Planning team held meeting #3 (video link [here](#)) on July 7, 2020. We revisited the district calendar and made the following adjustments. These adjustments are dependent on School Board approval on July 28, 2020.

Teacher Professional Development days from October 9, 2020 and March 12, 2021  
(students will have school these days) to **August 24 and 28, 2020.**

Winter vacation will be from **December 21, 2020-January 1, 2021** (adding December 21 and 22 as vacation days to offset teacher days on August 24 and 28.)

Wednesday Professional Development days for staff from Wednesday to Fridays:

**Friday, October 2, 2020** (instead of Wednesday, September 30, 2020)

**Friday, December 11, 2020** (instead of Wednesday, December 9, 2020)

**Friday, February 5, 2021** (instead of Wednesday, January 27, 2020)

**Friday, March 5, 2021** (instead of Wednesday, March 31, 2021)

**Friday April 2, 2021** (instead of Wednesday, May 19, 2021)

(Professional development for teachers will be offered remotely to ensure safety.)

Parent Conference dates will remain the same.

Final days of school will remain the same.

The district survey results bar graphs were shared with the Team and discussed. Schools will receive charts based on their individual schools, as well as the comments that pertain to their schools. Over 900 people participated in the survey.

The District Planning Team reviewed and discussed the first three questions under “Should you consider opening?” on the CDC reopening chart. The three questions we discussed were:

Will reopening be consistent with applicable state and local orders?

Is the school ready to protect children and employees at higher risk for severe illness?

Are you able to screen students and employees upon arrival for symptoms and history of exposure?

Cape Elizabeth Schools will work within state orders for reopening and will develop practices and procedures locally that comply with CDC and MDOE guidelines (Question #1)

Staff who are at “higher risk” will contact their principals or supervisors regarding the risks, and the district will make every effort to meet their needs (Question 2). Schools will develop plans for minimizing risk within their buildings, and the district will continue to develop district-wide plans for minimizing risks.

The school nurses will be working on a screening procedure to bring to the Team for feedback (Question 3).

We are working to answer “Yes” to these first three questions and continue to work to address the recommendations regarding health and safety actions.

Sincerely,

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