

Lebanon Public Schools

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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds everyone safe and healthy. We are completing our second week of in school instruction with no new COVID-19 cases in our school community to report. That said, the State has reported for the 2-week period ending Oct. 10, Lebanon had 12 new cases at a rate of 11.9 per 100,000. That rate puts us just over the threshold for the Yellow Zone. This means we are considering a change back to hybrid instruction.

When making these changes between In School Instruction, Hybrid Instruction and Distance Learning it is important to have the most recent data. The data mentioned above is already a week old. I have consulted with Uncas Health District and I am waiting on more current data. Based upon data published for New London County in The Day newspaper, Lebanon has had only 1 case this week. I confirmed this with our local responders.

For the time being, we will continue with In School Instruction. As I have written in the past, please understand that a change back to Hybrid or into Distance Learning can come with little notice. Decisions may even be made over the weekend if our data goes up significantly. Please continue to follow basic mitigating measures such as wearing masks, frequent handwashing, use of hand sanitizer, and staying home when you are not feeling well. Thank you for being diligent in your communications with the school nurses and administrators.

Data and Information Sources: https://data.ct.gov/stories/s/COVID-19-data/wa3g-tfvc/

https://data.ct.gov/stories/s/CT-School-Reopening/ddy2-ijgu/

School Meal Program

We have been notified that the USDA will continue providing waivers to schools, so we can provide free meals to all children through the end of the school year.

Meal Distribution Schedule:

Children in Distance Learning and children not enrolled in the Lebanon Public Schools will be provided with breakfast and lunch meals for 7 days/week.

Pick up Location: Lyman Memorial High School

When: Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Meals: Mondays – 3 breakfasts and 3 lunches per child Thursdays – 4 breakfasts and 4 lunches per child

Students participating in In School Instruction can also receive breakfast and lunch for 7 days/week. Meals for school days are provided in school. Meals for the weekend can be picked up on Thursdays, see information above.

Some long awaited rain is with us for part of the weekend, but not all of it. Keep in mind that local spread of COVID-19 has not been linked to any super-spreader events. The spread has been occurring due to small gatherings and events with friends and family. Enjoy each other's company, but in safe ways.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Angeli

Superintendent of Schools