

In this week's Parent Update, we want to share important information and updates about:

- COVID cases
- Increased learning time
- FY22 Budget
- Travel
- Athletics
- Meals on April 1

PLANNING FOR INCREASED IN PERSON LEARNING

The administrative team has begun discussing an increase for in-person learning. We have not established a firm date at this point. We continue to plan for factors that need to be considered prior to our students returning full time including supporting our full distance learners and ensuring the added cleaning continues. We will continue to provide updates to our families as decisions are made.

The first step we are taking is to survey all of our remote students. At this point, we only have responses from half of our remote learning families. We really need for all families currently doing remote learning to complete the survey – it can be found on your parent portal under the FORMS tab. The information is critical for us to plan as we consider our planning.

FY22 BUDGET

The Board of Education FY22 budget request was presented to the Board of Finance on March 17. The presentation, including the narrative shared by Cathy Simonelli, has been added to the FY22 Budget portion of the East Windsor Public Schools website. The BOE budget has been reduced to a 2.75% increase due to a slight decrease in our insurance costs from the date of the BOE vote on the budget. The updated budget request is also on the website under FY22 budget. Finally, the Board of Education Budget Message is also included in the same location and provides a summary of the changes for the FY22 budget proposal and comparison of notable changes in expenditures as well as revenue for the BOE. The BOF workshop with the BOE will be on March 30.

COVID CASES

We have had no positive cases since the last parent update. With this, that is only one positive case in the past three weeks.

ATHLETICS

At this time, the East Windsor schools are planning to have spectators at athletic events this spring. However, the parameters have not been finalized. We will have that information for you as soon as possible.

TRAVEL

At this time, we are waiting for updated information from the Department of Public Health before making decisions about staff and students who travel and work in or attend the East Windsor

schools. I will provide an update to families as soon as possible as I know many families are considering travel during the April break.

MEALS ON APRIL 1

There is no school on Friday April 2 due to Good Friday. Our Food Service department will provide double meals for families who choose to take meals to go on Thursday April 1.

REMINDER!

April 6 will be a remote learning day so our staff can receive the second vaccine.

Thank you and enjoy the wonderful spring weather.

Christine