

East Haddam Public Schools

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Dear Families and Staff Members,

The conversations at the state and district levels about what the fall of 2020 will look like regarding school reopening has been on the minds of many.

Today, the Governor announced the highlights of the expectations for schools to reopen this fall. I know that this plan has evolved over the past weeks and I believe will continue to evolve as the end of August approaches. Specifically, we anticipate additional guidance as soon as June 29, 2020.

The highlights of the reopening plan is that schools will open their doors for all students to attend in the fall at all grade levels. This expectation is a direct result of the total number of COVID cases in Connecticut decreasing significantly over the past few weeks.

At the district and school levels, we have in place reopening teams to analyze and plan our steps forward. We know that we will be developing a plan for students and staff members that will include procedures for handwashing, social distancing, and to wear protective equipment, such as masks, when we are in close proximity. Our school and district reopening teams will use the guidance from the State of Connecticut to find the best solution for the East Haddam school communities.

I fully realize that the information in this letter will be met with some celebrations, many questions, and some concerns. Please know the planning for reopening is a process that will continue throughout the summer and I will be providing updates along the way.

Sincerely,



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