Dobbs Ferry Reopening Sub Committee Meeting

AUGUST 9, 2021 - PLANNING CHART

Starting this week, we will have a series of updates going out to families and staff on how we will be managing COVID-19 in the fast approaching school year. The updates will share what we know now, and what still needs to be resolved. As you know, we are highly dependent on state and county requirements and guidance, and there are a number of shifting factors and variables.

Here is a list of the issues in question:

What We Know Now		
Item	Status	
State and County Framework	Must work within the guidelines and requirements established by state and county public health and medical officials.	
Regional District Coordination	Must coordinate with BOCES and regional school districts to maximize positive impact for students and staff through shared approaches.	

Instructional Program	All In (Full and normal school).

Remote Option	Intention is not to provide Remote as an option, other than for managing quarantines. Once we know quarantine requirements relative to vaccinations, and what is deemed "Close Contact," we can finalize Remote plans.
Masks & Face Coverings	K-12 required for all students and staff, but awaiting confirmation of state and county guidance. Mask breaks would remain in place. Masks not required outside.
Physical Distancing	
	Three feet when possible.
Busing Procedures	Masks with windows open; no seating requirements.
What Needs to Be Resolved In Process	
Vaccination Guidelines	Working on what might be voluntary versus dsadf.

Surveillance Testing	Working on what might be voluntary versus required; working with the County on an in-district solution, whether required or voluntary. This is a saliva-based process that will be coordinated by the County with the schools simply being a collection site.
Barriers in Classrooms	Likely to not be used but will have sets available for teachers and/or students who may want a barrier. Teacher desks would still have barriers if so desired.
Barriers in Public Places (Offices, Security Desks)	These would remain in place.
Barriers in Lunch Rooms	No
Lunch and Meal Procedures	For the beginning of the school year - HS will eat outside and MS will eat inside in cohorts (with option to eat outside). Springhurst will eat in the cafeteria with staggered seating.
Contact Tracing	Working with administration, regional districts and County on approach.