



# **MSAD 6 Pandemic Plan Forum 2020-2021**

# Forum Goals

- **Clarify Key Components of the MSAD 6 Draft Pandemic Plan**
- **Answer Commonly Asked Questions**
- **Provide an Opportunity for the Community to Share Thoughts, Concerns and Suggestions.**

# **Forum Meeting Norms**

**Start and end on time**

**Treat everyone with dignity and respect**

**Listen and respect varying points of view**

**One person speak at a time**

**Use the Parking Lot for questions and suggestions that can't be addressed in the meeting.**

# **Forum Topics**

**Pandemic Plan Overview**

**Health and Safety Practices**

**Face Coverings**

**Illness at School**

**Remote Learning Opportunities**

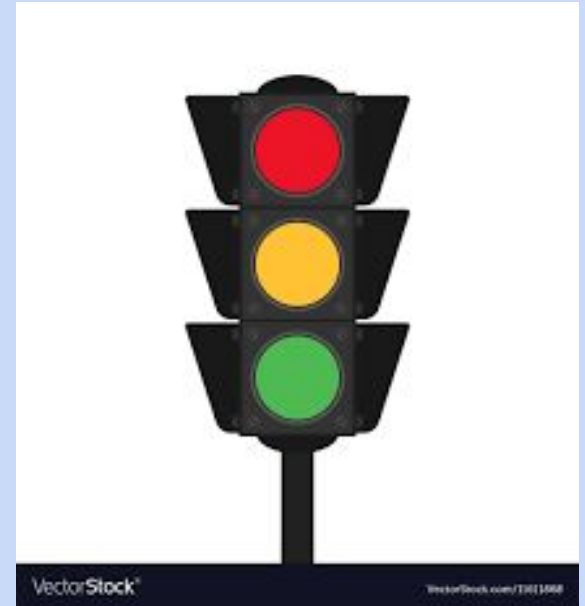
# **CARES Act Funding and Resources from the Gov.**

**We are eligible for at least two different sets of funds to reimburse the district for the costs associated with educating students during the pandemic.**

**In order to access those funds, the district must have a plan that meets all requirements of the Maine DOE. (That includes face coverings)**

# Pandemic Plan Levels

- **Level 1 (Red)- All Instruction is Remote (Distance Learning)**
- **Level 2 (Yellow)- A Hybrid Schedule of both Remote and In-Person Instruction**
- **Level 3 (Green)- All Students Attend School**



# Level 1 (Red)

- All students will be taught via remote instruction
- There will be a common platform (Seesaw K-5, Google Classroom 6-12)
- There will be increased synchronous instruction and a set schedule provided by each school
- Pre COVID grading will remain in place



## Level 2 (Yellow)

- Students divided into two groups: (BE and Scot)
- Students attend two days, get two days of independent learning, and Fridays will be remote for all.
- Independent Learning days will not include synchronous instruction from the classroom teacher. Instead they will include reinforcement, formative activities, content that doesn't fit in the two days in person.
- Some students with intensive special needs may attend more than two days per week or have a different plan.





## Level 3 (Green)

- All students attend in person
- Everyone will still need to wear face coverings
- Health and safety practices will still be in effect



# Let's Talk About the Elephant in the Room



# Face Covering Requirements

- At this time, the Maine DOE is requiring face coverings for all students and staff in order for schools to open safely.
- Face coverings are required in both yellow and green plans
- They must be worn on the bus, in common areas and in the classroom when they can't be socially distanced
- Students will have breaks when they are socially distanced both in the classroom and outside.

# Face Covering Requirements

- Cloth face coverings, masks, bandanas, gators, scarves and plastic shields all are considered face coverings
- Cloth masks will be provided for all students at the start of the year
- Paper masks will be available when needed for backup
- We will have some plastic shields for students with medical issues, anxiety, or those who are not developmentally ready to wear a mask
- Classrooms will have adaptations so that there will be opportunities for students to take breaks (such as plastic dividers)

# Enhanced Health and Cleaning Routines

- **The custodial staff will be performing enhanced cleaning procedures in all areas each night.**
- **Bathrooms, surfaces and high contact areas will be cleaned more frequently throughout the day.**
- **Desks and tables in the classrooms will be cleaned between classes and whenever groups of students change. This will be supervised by teachers and performed by students when appropriate.**
- **The cleaning products used around students will primarily be soap and water, and mild detergent.**
- **MSDS sheets for all chemicals used in the buildings will be available for parents to view on our website.**
- **There will be an increased emphasis on handwashing and hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom.**

# **What if someone at school tests positive for COVID 19?**

**We will follow the guidelines provided by the Maine CDC.**

**That will probably mean that a portion of the school or the whole school may have to close for 2-5 days for extreme cleaning and contact tracing.**

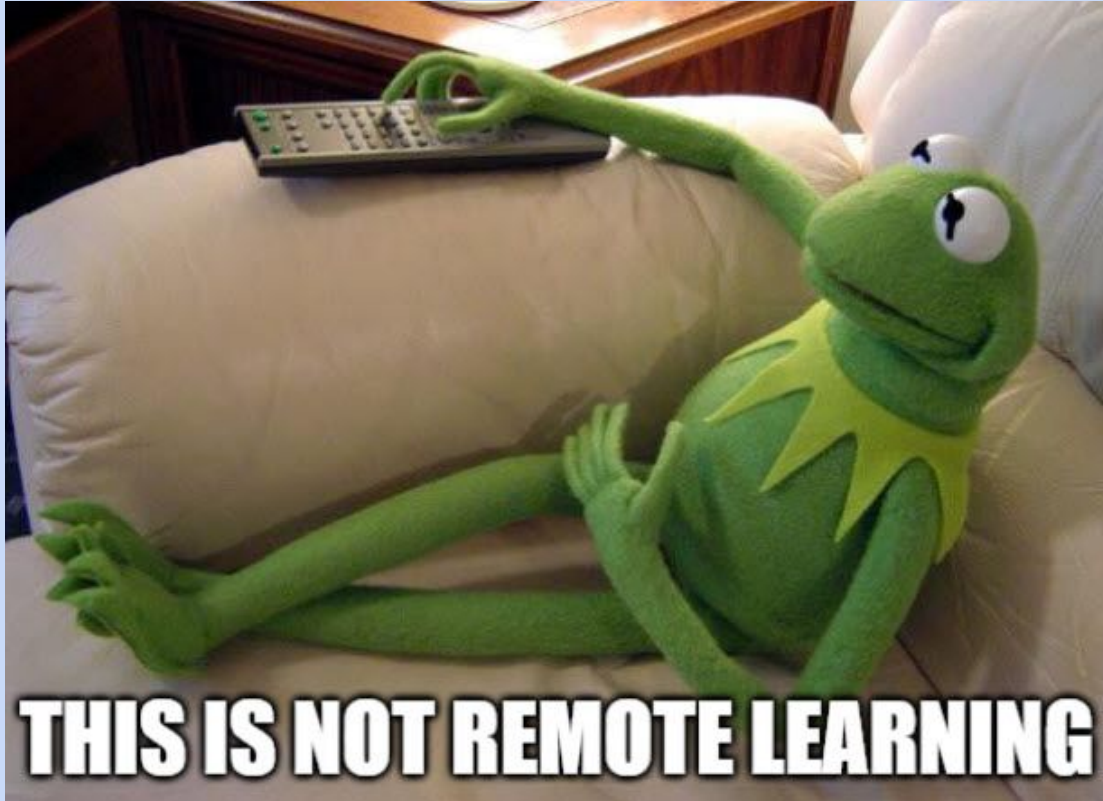
**Some students or staff may be required to quarantine based on the CDC's recommendations.**

# **Out of State Travel**

**We will follow the Governor's guidance**

**If traveling to a state not exempt, staff and students must produce evidence of a negative COVID test before returning to work/school.**

**Currently CT, NH, NY,NJ, and VT are exempt**



**THIS IS NOT REMOTE LEARNING**



# **I feel safer with my child at home right now**

- **Students with medical conditions that prevent them from attending school will be provided educational services via 504 or IEP plan. (No different than before the Pandemic.)**
- **There will be a remote option for families who are not comfortable attending school right now. The details will be shared once the plan is finalized.**
- **The remote option will likely include a curriculum/instruction provided via online tools that will be supplemented with teacher/staff support.**
- **Students can transition back into in-person instruction seamlessly at any time.**

**Questions?**





**Please put questions and suggestions in the parking lot on your way out.**