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Timberlane Regional School District
Hampstead School District

Dear TRSD, June 3, 2021

As TRSD plans and prepares for numerous end of the year events such as academic award nights, and move up or graduation celebrations, and or plans for recess or outdoor time for students; we continue to monitor regional and local metrics, as well as adhere to guidance from the CDC, NH DPHS and local health officials. At this time, TRSD continues to rely on multiple layers of prevention strategies to ensure the health and safety of all individuals, while also taking into consideration the social, emotional and comfort factors of our participants. The following protocols will take place effective immediately.

Per the Latest guidance from NH DPHS: "With levels of community transmission decreasing, we recommend that schools and childcare agencies can remove masks in outdoor settings (regardless of a person's vaccination status), including at recess and during non contact sports. -NH DPHS still recommends physical distancing between children/students, to the extent possible"

As most events are scheduled to be outdoor events, as being outside has shown to be an effective mitigation strategy, we will be implementing the following protocols during these TRSD events.

- Individuals do not need to wear a mask while outside, unless they desire to do so, but we do ask people to continue to socially distance.
- Any and all events will be either live streamed, or recorded and made available at a later date to allow those that cannot be in attendance the opportunity to view the event.
- Any and all events will have specific attendance limits to ensure that socially distancing protocols can be implemented.
- We ask all participants to continue to use the district's daily monitoring protocol and not come to the event if they are showing any signs or symptoms of illness.
- We ask that family groups stay as a cohort and remain socially distanced (at least 6 feet) from other family groups or individuals. The logistics of the event will allow for the individual family 'cohort' to be seated together, but separated from the next closest family group by at least six (6) feet. We ask that you keep socially distanced from other family groups especially if you are not wearing a mask. In instances where six foot distancing is not possible, we ask all non-fully vaccinated individuals to wear a mask.
- Until at least June 30, 2021, while indoors, all individuals will be required to wear a mask per current protocols and CDC guidance for school operations.

TRSD respects the individual's right to wear a mask at all times to protect themselves and or their loved ones. Guidance still suggests that wearing a proper fitting mask is an effective mitigation strategy.

Sincerely.

Dr. Brian Cochrane

Interim Superintendent of Schools