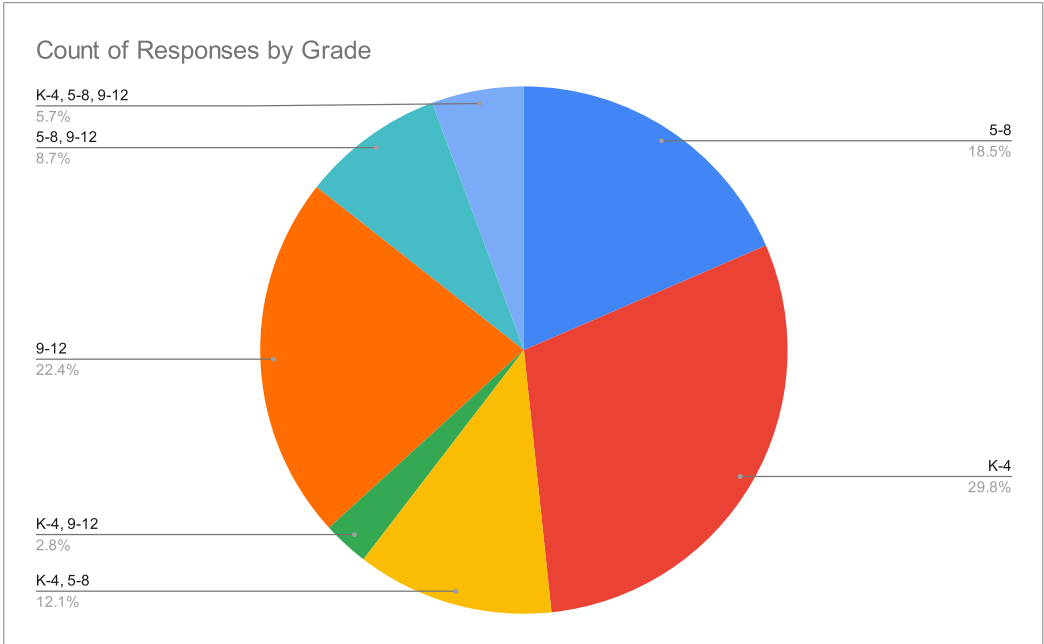
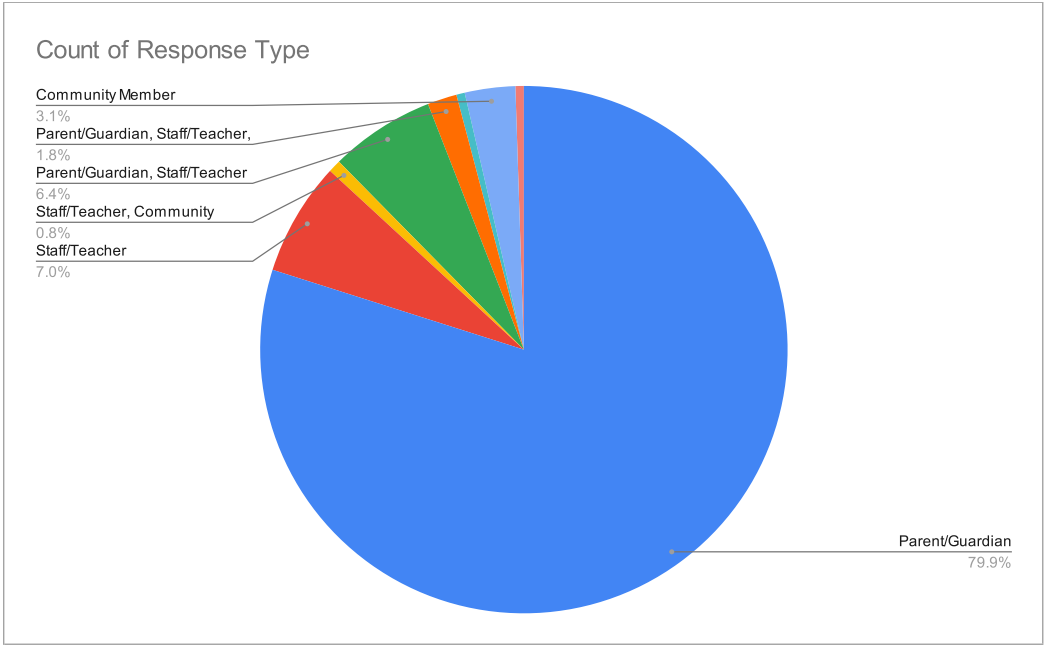


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QUESTION	RESPONSES		513 BLANK	OPEN RESPONSES
	YES	NO		
1. The goal for the 2021-2022 school year is to open school in the fall as close to normal as possible. The District defines opening school as “normal as possible” operating in-person 5 days per week per the School Board approved academic calendar. Most, if not all children are in attendance in their classrooms. The District will follow a traditional 5-day per week schedule, and the remote learning option is limited to health-related issues; students with documented medical conditions that make in person attendance during high levels of COVID-19 transmission medically unsafe. This will be on an exception basis only. Do you support this goal?	354	37	122	VIEW RESPONSES
2. Until children ages 3-11 are vaccinated, which typically represents grades PK-8, it is prudent to maintain a mask mandate, as well as 3-foot distancing in classrooms and 6-foot distancing in cafeterias. Should vaccinations be allowed for this age group, this recommendation may be changed to reflect the same guidance offered for the high school. In PK-8, mask breaks will continue to be coordinated for students as needed. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	196	290	27	VIEW RESPONSES
3. Since staff and all high school aged students have had the opportunity to be vaccinated, the District can consider eliminating the 6-foot social distancing in the cafeteria and lift the mask requirements throughout the school. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	415	42	56	VIEW RESPONSES
4. The current recommendation is to continue classroom social distancing at 3-feet. This allows class sizes to return to the levels recommended in the District guidelines, and to fully accommodate an all-in return model. Currently, the District is using 3-foot social distancing as recommended by the CDC. Depending on CDC and other health guidelines the recommended social distancing may change. Three-foot social distancing allows us to accommodate class sizes in line with our maximum district guidelines. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	305	82	126	VIEW RESPONSES
5. Based on current guidelines, breakfast and lunch times should maintain 6-foot social distancing. Note that the lunch schedule impacts the entire instructional day as the number of lunches required increases when social distancing increases. Garrison School, Horne Street School, Woodman Park School, and Dover Middle School will require 6-foot social distancing due to the fact that the vaccine is not available yet for 3-11-year-olds. If this changes, the necessary adjustments will be made. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	231	152	130	VIEW RESPONSES
6. At the PK-8 level, recess will need to be carefully planned given that there is no vaccine for this age group. At Garrison School, Horne Street School, Woodman Park School, and Dover Middle School this means keeping numbers manageable on the playground. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	219	160	134	VIEW RESPONSES
7. A full range of athletic programming for Dover Middle School and Dover High School is recommended. Individual activities may need to be adjusted to meet health and safety guidelines or NHIAA rules and procedures. The District will continue to monitor and to modify guidelines into the fall unless the pandemic is declared over, in which case, we would return to normal pre-pandemic rules. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	328	44	141	VIEW RESPONSES
8. Large group school-sponsored gatherings outside of the school day (concerts, sports, events) will be allowed. All spectator attendees of indoor events must wear masks due to the likely variety of ages in attendance. Athletes and performers will follow the same practices as in their classes/practices related to the event. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	230	146	137	VIEW RESPONSES
9. Because the District has no ability to know who is vaccinated, visitors will be required to answer the Dover School District prescreening questionnaire prior to entering any school building and wear a mask while on school grounds. The District will follow the most recent guidelines for outdoor events. Do you support this aspect of the plan?	249	132	132	VIEW RESPONSES
10. Other observations or comments that you wish to share.				VIEW RESPONSES



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#1 Open Response

Allowing students that are sick to attend remotely but not be counted as absent. One of my students was ill (no Covid) to attend the limited in person but kept up remotely. My other student had a horrible allergy and head cold at the end of the year. He attended virtual but was marked absent. He was penalized for not physically coming to school but he kept others safe.

Allowing underclassmen (sophomore) to drive to school. Being packed on a bus is not an option for us.

Any family who does not feel comfortable with in-class instruction (regardless of health conditions) should have the option of remote learning

Can an exception for remote learning be made for students in households with high risk individuals such as parents and guardians (when there is high levels of COVID19 transmission)?

Considering the new Delta variant there should be a more robust quarantine plan which encompasses a comprehensive virtual plan. I desire to return full time in school and don't want to be caught off guard if things go south again.

Current teachers should not be obligated to do both remote and in person. Special Ed was still required to do both and planning time was lost.

Extend the virtual option to kids with others in the household that are at risk also

Get rid of the remote option!

I agree with 5 day in person, but believe virtual option should be available to all students, not just those with documented health reasons. Everyone has a different comfort level for their child's safety, and that should be respected. Further, it would be wonderful for children to be able to attend virtually if they need to be out for extended time quarantining or due to illness.

I answered yes, but.....if students are quarantining, or need to be virtual due to medical conditions, who is going to be their teacher?? Classroom teachers should not have to room and zoom ever again! It is not equitable for both parties, virtual or in-person.

I don't think there should be a blanket statement until the age 3-11 group can be vaccinated. I think there should be a remote option available should Covid cases increase in Dover whether or not students have qualifying medical conditions.

I feel volunteers should be allowed with screening and mask wearing. Particularly since budget cuts are removing TAs from Kindergarten classrooms, volunteers are essential. Additionally, I would appreciate considering parents being allowed in for a tour/get to know the teacher and classroom.

I like the idea of coordinating with nearby school districts and existing programs to provide virtual school options.

I only said no because I think there are other valid reasons a family might choose remote learning. While I don't feel the district should have to support ever family's whim, if the online option is already supported for a student with an auto immune week can't attend in person, I don't see why families in other special situations couldn't be accommodated at the same time with the same resources.

I would like the virtual option extended to students who need it for any reason their family provides, rather than only a covid-related medical exemption. Our time away from in-person school allowed many students with learning differences and families with non-traditional (for lack of better phrasing) circumstances to receive educational options that had not been made available to them before. Those options should remain consistently available and constantly improved in tandem with the traditional in-person school model.

If the situation changes due to variants, we need to be flexible and consider a remote start.

If there is going to be a remote learning option, then why not allow students to attend class remotely if they are sick as a means to not miss class entirely if they are unwell (flu/strep/Covid).

If this is going to be an option, the Board needs to hire additional teachers to teach this population "remotely." We cannot expect our in-person teachers to do both.

If vaccines are unavailable for the 11 and under age group, parents should have a remote option for their family.

It will be important to listen to what the parents want for their child as that was not considered as much last year and has lowered our confidence a great deal. I would like to share that I like the approach of working with other schools in which the child would like to be remote. This should be something to expand upon in the future. Also if the remote option continues and improves, it will allow Dover to bring back all the homeschool children which in turns brings back the state/federal/city dollars.

Make it policy, not a goal.

Masks can go away now, please.

Masks should be optional and family choice. Staff can choose to for themselves. Kids do not need to be sitting 6 ft apart at lunch. Enough already.

My students would like to go back full time with Green/White days.

no masks

No masks

No masks for my 3rd grader

No masks or we will opt to pull for private funds

No masks or wear by choice

No masks!

NO MASKS!!!!!!

No remote option

No virtual option

No virtual option at all. VLACS for those who choose virtual.

Open the school normally, have a plan, but go normal and get back to normal so our kids can benefit from normal schedules, normal days, socializing, learning, teachers being left their own devices and for god sakes eliminate the masks so we can in turn eliminate the "mask breaks". Let teachers decide when and where the kids need a short break if necessary. The restricted schedule left them no time to work lessons in full and only served to hinder their ability to stay on a path. Virtual by medical necessity on a case by case basis. Do not make it an option. I saw one of my kids classmates fail miserably because both parents could not hover over their child throughout the entire school day and never really caught on to the fact that their child wasn't putting in the effort. It was a mess and I have heard second hand that there are more that have faltered because of the choice to stay virtual.

Parents choosing the remote option should enroll in VLACS, other online learning platform or homeschooling system. Dover schools should provide full in-person instruction only. There are not enough resources for Dover to be all things to all people. Additionally, asking staff to deliver instruction across multiple platforms is ridiculously unreasonable, ineffective and expensive.

Remove the masks. Transmission rates are low and adults are all eligible to receive vaccines already.

Room and zoom should seriously be reconsidered and feedback from ACTUAL teachers doing this job should be sought after (not instructional coaches or hand picked yes-men) . Educating students at home was extremely difficult when 20 students are in person, in front of the teacher. Admin, SAU and school board members need to come into teachers' classrooms and see how difficult it is. Teacher feedback is vital, especially after how disrespected teachers felt after this incredibly hard school year.

Since we have the technology, remote should be an option for extended vacations as well.

Some students thrived through distance learning. If possible it should be available to those who would like it.

Strict exceptions! Remote option not provided by Dover classroom teachers that are teaching in-person. No Room and Zoom requests of teachers. Teachers need to focus on the students that are in front of them in the classroom.

Students already need to be called out with a fever. Now with covid, they will need to either quarantine or be tested for any related symptom making them miss in person classes. If this happens with no back ups for virtual or menu options for at home, our children will miss too many days of school than acceptable. That's just something to consider.

Students who will not be attending in person should not be in a "room & zoom" format - nobody should. It's not equitable to any individual involved. These students should have learning coaches that guide the students learning the same material through alternative means such as project based learning and similar supplemental work if needed.

The potential risk for variants among an unvaccinated population

The school district chose to close the schools and keep them closed for an extended period of time. This forced parents to except and manage the remote learning process for almost a full school year. Regardless of the reason the schools remained closed, many parents recognized that their children thrived learning outside of the "hustle and bustle" classroom and were able to learn at a pace that fit them. To now deny parents the choice to resume remote learning is not in the best interest of the child's education. Remote learning should be an option. The reason for choosing this option is the family's business and the family's final say, not the school district's.

The school should not dictate who can stay home based on medical issues; the decision needs to remain solely with parents and students.

The year should be opened as normal and there should be no remote learning at all.

There are children and parents that have very real mental health concerns who are too frightened to return to in person learning. There should be supports in place for student and family mental health concerns. It can be stigmatizing for families to have to jump through hoops to honor and respect these concerns. There should be some type of option for parents and students to have a remote option in the event that in person learning could cause additional trauma to either the parent/child or both.

There is VLACS for students who wish to remain at home. Classrooms shouldn't have to have any sort of virtual component (even for a single student), which distracts from the teacher doing his or her job with the students IN the classroom.

There's no need to do any more health precautions. From what medical drs and cdc advises children are not at risk. Teachers are vaccinated at this point. We need to return to a normal day of school with NO masks on the children. And if teachers or parents wish to wear them that's there choice. Also masks mandates have been lifted every where.

To allow those who do better virtually due to mental health challenges or other challenges to have the virtual option as well.

Until vaccinations are available for all age groups parents should have the choose as to which method is best for their children.

Virtual learning shouldn't be contingent with a "valid medical reason".

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#2 Open Response

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7th and 8th grade vaccinated students should not have to wear masks. Unvaccinated students should.

8th graders are 12-14, and are vaccinated. No masks for them. No distancing. Enough is enough. These kids deserve a normal final year in middle school!

A mask mandate is not necessary and should be stopped immediately. Parents should have a choice to have their child wear a mask or not. Parents should also have a choice to vaccinate their children or not.

Absolutely no mask mandates at all

Absolutely not! Children are not at risk. Teachers have had the opportunity to be vaccinated. Teachers should have the choice to resume mask wearing. Parents should have the choice to have their children wear masks in schools. And, parents should have the choice to not have their children wear masks. The medical board is welcome to offer advice and the school district is welcome to make recommendations. But a child's health is the responsibility of the parent and that is who has the final say.

Allow masks for that age range to be optional. The infection rate for that age range is so low.

Allow masks to be a personal choice for each family. Many activities no longer require masks, even for this age group.

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are you kidding?

Are you serious to force a vaccine that's not needed for children. That's not right. On the W.H.O. Site which is a super strong source, it advises that children should not be vaccinated. This is not fair. With the risks that the vaccine causes I would never give my daughters it. They have all there properly tested shots from when they were younger. And for health issues that my child could get. Covid is not a risk to the kids and teachers are vaccinated. Over 75% of New England is vaccinated. Don't punish the children for something they are safe from.

Can we stop pretending a \$2 piece of cloth from old navy is really doing anything? Enough with the masks. Also until this vaccine is fully fda approved and there are long term trials you cannot force a parent to vaccinate their child and I would hope you aren't taking this rite. It would also be wrong for you to segregate children based on vaccination status. Do you really want to create more division in this world? Let parents make the decision they want for their children. I should be able to decide if I want my child to wear a mask or if I want them vaccinated. It's your job to educate them, that's it!

Children are not at risk stop with the distancing and masks Under no circumstance should a child be vaccinated with the experimental covid vaccine!

Children have spent the summer with no masks. Masks should be optional.

Children should not be forced to wear masks. The assumption is that any person able, is receiving a vaccine and the most vulnerable population is being protected.

Children should not have to be masked with or without the vaccine

children should not have to go back masked our cases are extremely low and other schools in our state have relaxed this. This district plays it extremely safe and the numbers show our children should be allowed back in without mask! I would like to know the plan for children that dont get vaccinated and how you plan to deal with that. I do NOT want my child to feel seperated in any way just because he doesnt get vaccinated. The way our district acts this is why so many people left and went to private school and this is why the free school choice bill is happening.

Class sizes especially in fifth grade May make the three feet impossible.

Consider masks for families that believe their children need to wear them. The FDA has not even approved vaccines for ANYONE at this point.

Could the 7th and 8th graders remove masks during class time since they are eligible for the vaccine? Keep mandate in halls and common areas?

Curious as to why they think there's no reliable way to verify vaccinations?

Do they mean visitors or students? Last I checked to get kids into school the vaccination record has to be on file.

Continued masking seems unnecessary at this point. We can bring them to any other indoor place mostly without restriction, have proper ventilation unlike in the school at the end of the year, and not need to wear masks.

Discontinue the mask mandates as staff and families have had the opportunity to be vaccinated. Additionally, provide data on how the benefits of continuing to be masked outweigh the health risks associated with masking.

Distancing does no good according to science. Covid Vaccines are not FDA approved and are not appropriate for any child. It takes years to develop vaccines for children. This one uses our children as guinea pigs. You do this I'll pull my children from school and homeschool

does anyone actually think "it is prudent to maintain a mask mandate" ?????

Drop the facade that any mask short of N100 masks do anything to prevent transmission. Basically, follow the science and drop the masks.

Due to children being low risk of getting and transmitting COVID, in addition to the majority of adults in the building and at home being vaccinated, I do not think masks are necessary to prevent the spread of COVID at school. Other districts in the state who lifted mask mandates following staff vaccinations have continued to have close to zero cases through the end of the school year. Windham School District is an example of this.

Enough with the masks, look at the data and what other states are doing.

Enough with the masks.

Enough with the masks...

Everyone in the state who is eligible for a vaccine has had the opportunity to get vaccinated. Children are not at risk of this disease, have mild symptoms is any, and do not spread it easily. Children are and continue to have birthday party's, sleep overs, summer camps, and are out in public with no masks. No negative issues are arising from this. Many states have zero mask mandates for children and have executive orders that it is illegal to require children to where masks in public schools. No negative issues are arising from this. Private schools, including catholic schools in Dover have already stated that masks will not be required for any student, but is optional per individual. These schools were the first across the nation to open fully before vaccines were available, and we're correct in doing so. I hope Dover follows the lead of private schools and do not require masks or socially distance children this fall.

Fave shields for the children for mask breaks, recess or eating could be helpful. If the children have at least a face shield on while eating, it will block coughs and sneezes and could allow for possible closer seating. Closer seating could get back to a more normal lunch schedule. Again, just a thought or something similar.

Following the science shows that young children are extremely low risk, and long term mental health is affected by continued mask use. The temperatures in classroom are extremely unhealthy during heatwaves without a mask, adding a mask is super unhealthy. WPS classrooms teachers go degrees during the course of the heatwave. That is not counting the real feel with humidity. DMS and Horne reaches unhealthy temperatures as well. The start of school brings hot weather.

Fully vaccinated kids don't need to wear masks. Ever.

How does #2 and #3 affect the middle school which has a blended age demographic?

I am a teacher in Maine and we are doing 3 foot distancing and no masks. I think this is reasonable.

I believe children PK and K should not be required to wear masks. I believe teachers would waste valuable teaching time trying to enforce mask use in such young children.

I believe that the middle schoolers who have been vaccinated should also get the opportunity to be mask free with proof of vaccination.

I do not believe you should require these children to wear masks.

I do support this. However. For those parents who are not ready to vaccinate their 12 year old... what does this look like? Will my child have to be in a class with their peers who have been vaccinated, but unvaccinated will still have to mask? If so, I am not ok with this. It singles out students for one and almost marks them with "a Scarlett letter" during a very important stage of their life- where all they are trying to do is fit in, learn who they are in society and the community.

If unvaccinated children are left to constantly mask, with their vaccinated peers who are not masking... this will just brew a recipe for potential bullying. Singling out individuals (as recently committed during the Exeter High school prom) is very inappropriate.

In the end, I do not support that my child or others who are not vaccinated be required to mask when others do not have to. This won't change my decision to then vaccinate. But it will create problems as referenced above, which leaves parents to make a difficult decision to give their kids a vaccine with no long term data available and still under EUA use.

I don't think these students should need to wear masks.

I don't think kids should have to wear masks in the fall. Example of why is most are going to summer camp and masks aren't required. They really aren't required in a lot of places anymore. Kids should be able to go back in the fall and have it as normal as possible.

I don't think masks should be required at all among students and teachers. They have been proven to be ineffective.

I don't think vaccinated 12-year olds should have to wear a mask

I feel that if the children wear masks and teachers are fully vaccinated, the 3-ft and 6-ft distancing requirement isn't necessary. Either the kids wear masks and the social distancing is removed, or kids return without masks but you keep the social distancing requirements.

I find it ridiculous that obese people on the school board are trying to give us health advice. NO MASKS. NO EXPERIMENTAL VACCINES. PERIOD.

I support no masks and no social distancing needed.

I support the plan for the most part, but there should not be as much "extra" time in the schedule to accommodate mask breaks as there was from March- June 2021. Kids thought that extra time was theirs to use for "play" and would argue with adults that time should not be used for educational purposes.

I think kids should be in classrooms playing and learning like normal

I think masks should be optional due to such low numbers in Dover.

I think they should not have to wear masks I'm middle school or highschool. To bad you can't require vaccinations for this group.

I think vaccinated students should be able to go mask free. But- realistically, most of these kids are mask free in public now. Let them breathe :)

I will be teaching kindergarten for the first time ever! I've taught for 21 years (20 years in first grade and 1 year in second grade). While we worked extremely hard to maintain 3-6 ft social distancing, it was extremely hard for these little ones. I am very concerned how kindergarteners will be able to do this considering much of their day involves play based learning and interactive learning.

I will not send my child to school if he is required to wear a mask I will formally unenroll him and begin the process of homeschooling him

I would like the option of deciding whether my child wears a mask or not.

I would like the school board to utilize the information and studies on effectiveness of masks prior to continuing this mandate. I urge the board to utilize all data to understand the unintended consequences of young children wearing masks all day.

I would like to see kids eat within the classroom to limit exposure.

I would prefer that vaccinated children are not required to be masked

If an 8th grader is vaccinated they should not have to wear a mask all day.

if masks and distancing will no longer be required once an age group has been approved for vaccination, then all students should be required to be vaccinated, just like with other standard vaccinations. Otherwise outbreaks are likely to occur and even vaccinated children will continue to be at risk. There appeared to be no mention of such requirement.

If our students are vaccinated at the DMS level, they should not be required to wear masks. We can send in proof of vaccinations if that is required. I do not support requiring masks for children that have been vaccinated.

If the classrooms are not air conditioned then it I too hot to wear masks.

if you put your kids in masks you are a child abuser.

If your child is vaccinated, he/she should have the choice to wear a mask

imagine giving your kids this experimental vaccine. are you INSANE?

It should be a family's personal decision if they want their child to wear a mask. The emotional impacts of ongoing mask wearing in this age group are harmful to the mental health of our children. It will be especially difficult on them, as they are not required to mask in local stores and settings any further. Going back to requiring this in school setting would not be beneficial.

Kids are attending summer camps all summer unmasked. There is zero reason at this point for masks to be worn.

Kids don't need masks.

kids in masks? still? No

kids need to see faces

Kids should not be wearing masks during the school day when engaged in learning. We will have enough of our population vaccinated by the fall. Other schools have lifted mask mandate in school there is no reason Dover cannot do the same

Kids should not have to be masked, there is little to no spread currently. If cases spike again, then reevaluate the mask mandate. What about the teachers PK-8? They are vaccinated and should not need to be masked.

Lifting the mask mandate as kids need to get back to normal

LOL

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Look up heart inflammation

Make masks optional for students/families

Mask optional

Mask should not be requires

masks are child abuse

masks as optional; eliminating spacing in cafe. The community is operating (mostly) back to normal; it would be nice to reflect that return in our schools. Mask breaks rob students/teachers of impt. instructional time. Students can dine in restaurants, go to an amusement park, grocery shopping, etc. without restrictions. Allow those who wish to wear a mask to wear one.

Masks for children 3-11 should be optional. Parents can decide what is best for their children. Our kids have been attending pre-school and camp w/o a mask for most of the pandemic. We are not a bit concerned about their risk level.

Masks not be mandatory

Masks only if 3 (6) distance cannot be maintained? (Maybe no masks if students are seated at their spots?)

Masks optional

Masks should be optional for the kids. Adults are more likely to get Covid, spread it and be sick from it. The adults are vaccinated. The WHO states "the clinical attack rates in the 0-19 age group are low" The common Flu is of similar risk, we don't wear masks or require vaccines for children for the Flu to attend school.

Masks should be optional to the families

Masks should not be required

Masks should not be required by schools. Families chosing to wear masks shall have that right to wear them, families chosing not to wear masks shall have that right to not wear them. Vaccination status should not affect mask wearing decision.

Masks while they are sitting at their seats should not be mandatory, especially in the fall when some schools can be very hot. These kids saw this in the spring. I truly believe it is more unhealthy for them to be sitting with a mask on in those conditions than not. Most of the schools can accommodate 3 foot spacing while seated. Moving in between classes and entering the building I feel can be a compromise but sitting still, and outside the building they absolutely should not need to wear one.

My 13 year old got vaccinated what was the point of her going through that if she has to continue wearing a mask

my kids dont wear masks

No kids wear masks no kids social distance

No mask mandate for children in school. Children and adults are no longer wearing masks indoor or out throughout the state of NH. My child was in a hospital based preschool (ages 3-6) where no child was required to wear masks throughout the pandemic and there were no issues.

No mask mandate for this age group

No mask mandate,families can request their child to wear one, but not mandated

NO MASK MANDATE!!!!

No mask mandate.

No mask mandate. It is a families right to choose.

No mask no three feet apart

no mask no vax.

No mask requirement

no mask requirement. kids wont wear them. it will stop learning.

No masking, please.

No masks

No masks

No masks ; no distance

No masks and no required vaccines.

no masks for children

No masks for children regardless of grade, all the teachers can be vaccinated. it is not fair for these children to have to endure mask wearing for 8 hours a day.

No masks for PK-8. Let the students be back in groups. This age group is not designed to learn in rows.

No masks just distancing

No masks needed for under 18 yrs; not enough safety data

NO MASKS ON KIDS

No masks or social distancing. Anything else isn't following science.

No masks or social distancing. Return to normal.

No masks should be required anywhere.

But if you are going against all scientific data again this year...11 year olds do not "typically" represent 6th, 7th or 8th grade. Do not combine grades that have students over 12 in this paragraph even if there are a couple of students who fall into those grades. They should be separated and the majority of class shouldn't have to wear them because of those few students.

No masks should be required.

No masks!

No masks.

No masks.

No masks. Please stop

No masks. Low risk of transmission for this age and is a huge distraction.

no masks. what is the point of being vaccinated if you still have to wear a mask. Also if you are going to pass number 3 lifting masks and eliminating social distancing during lunch, why should the kids wear a mask all day

No more masks, they are not a preventative and pose risk all on their own. They should be worn when a child is sick, but if a child is sick they should be at home recovering anyhow so it becomes a moot point. See the study done by a parents group in Florida that sent 6 masks to a lab after a single day of use to discover the pathogens, bacteria, etc.. that each mask contained to include such things as "half of the masks were contaminated with one or more strains of pneumonia-causing bacteria. One-third were contaminated with one or more strains of meningitis-causing bacteria. One-third were contaminated with dangerous, antibiotic-resistant bacterial pathogens. In addition, less dangerous pathogens were identified, including pathogens that can cause fever, ulcers, acne, yeast infections, strep throat, periodontal disease, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, and more."

NO MORE MASKS!!!!

No more masks. What planet do you live on? Every adult has had the opportunity to vaccinate and since day one the numbers indicate no covid threat to children. Let the kids enjoy their youth.

No one is wearing masks anymore. were done.

No one is wearing masks anywhere. Why does the school think children should wear them? What kind of sick twisted people even made up this question.

NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS

no vaccine or masks required until proof either really work

Not requiring masks for the younger age groups 3-11 years old. The spread of Covid in this age group is so small. The mask is not an actual barrier for covid 19 unless it is an N95 mask. I feel that requiring masks "looks good" but doesn't actually help.

Not requiring masks! Parents should have the choice whether their child(ren) should or shouldn't wear a mask.

Only masked during flu/cold season, or when community transmission is elevated

Optional masks, adults are vaccinated if wanted to. Kids are low risk.

Optional masks, assuming Covid levels are very low locally as they are currently.

Other school districts have already come out to say no masks in the fall. It would be good to understand why and how their decision may relate to Dover. NH is in the top states in the country with nearly 70% likely fully vaccinated by September. Additionally with NH no longer requiring people quarantine if a close contact with the exception of household members I don't know why 6 feet apart at lunch would matter and would think that again, with such a high % of adults vaccinated, the risk would be pretty low. I also doubt that element school kids actually stayed 3 feet apart all the time anyway and spread in the school didn't seem to be an issue. While masks may help keep the majority of germs away, I'm not sure it will make much of a difference in regards to covid. And kids do need exposure to germs in general to develop their immune system. I would ask that the decision be based on actual information and not just to wear masks to make people feel better.

Parent choice. Those fully vaccinated should not be forced. I have a fully vaccinated 7th grader.

Parents are allowing their unvaccinated children out everywhere else in public - masks should be an option in schools. If parents want their kids to wear a mask, they wear one, and vice versa

Please allow kids to have outdoor recess without needing to wear masks.

Please allow my children to be children

Please consider eliminating a mask mandate for all age groups. These poor children have endured over a year of mask-wearing and can't even see each other's smiles (this is especially difficult for my autistic son who has enough trouble reading emotions without them). I am in support of a mask mandate when conditions require it, but transmission is so incredibly low right now that to say mask-wearing needs to be continued (even in the absence of a vaccine for small children) seems really unnecessary. If a parent wants their child to wear one, that's fine, but for parents who prefer otherwise, please let our kids just be kids without having to cover their faces- so long as there is no real crisis in numbers. The most vulnerable age groups have all had the opportunity to be vaccinated now.

Please consider whether fully vaccinated STAFF should have to be masked PK-8. I belief staff should have the choice.

Please do not require a mask even if unvaccinated. These students parents, teachers and family members are (most likely) vaccinated. Please begin the year without.

Please look at the science - pre k to 8 kids suffered far greater health problems than those related to Covid. The illness and death rates for this group are almost non-existent and yet the plan puts the greatest restrictions on this group. The negative affects of Masks and social distancing in schools far out way any benefit. The kids did their part to protect the vulnerable in our community. It's time to now invest in their recovery.

Please reconsider the mask requirement for children under 11. There is substantial medical evidence to prove that children in this age bracket are not being hospitalized after contracting covid. The masks and the social distancing is unnecessary at this time.

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Realistically, 12+ vaccine availability includes all 7th and 8th graders, too. I would be frustrated if I had a vaccinated middle schooler who still needed to mask up daily. I don't know the legal ramifications of presenting this option, but could the district offer a mask opt-out clause for any DMS student who voluntarily proves full vaccination status? This would incentivize student vaccinations, thereby contributing to a more robust community protection.
Remove mask mandate
Remove mask mandate and 6-foot distancing in cafeterias.
Remove mask mandate! Even with vaccines available most will not vaccinate their children.
Remove mask mandate.
Remove the mask mandate completely and let these kids live a normal life. It is not healthy for children (or anyone for that matter) to remain masked for a full 8 hour day. If a mask mandate is to remain into effect, then the option for remote learning should be open for those who do not wish to wear a mask all day.
Remove the masks. They are distracting to some and no one knows when vaccines will be available for this age.
Research and consider up-to-date data about transmission rates in this age group before making a decision about masks and distancing
Schools have stopped this ridiculous mandate already. Let these kids And families have an option.
Seems impossible and hard to maintain requiring masks of these kids
Since children are not at a high risk of developing serious side effects of COVID masks should be optional for families who are not at risk. Any family who feels more vulnerable should have their child continue to wear a mask.
Snack and breakfast is at 3 ft so lunch could be too
So if our child grade 7 will be in the fall age 12 has already been vaccinated do they still have to wear a mask. I believe kids who are fully vaccinated shouldn't have to wear a mask its their choice if they want to or not.
Students do not need to be masked in the classroom if a safe distance can be allotted. It is still very hot at the start of the school year and there should be some choice in masking.
Students should not be required to wear masks. It should be that family's choice. Kids are around each other currently with no masks inside and outside. There is no data currently to support that masks are necessary for unvaccinated children.
Teaching young children is almost impossible through a mask. Foundational skills can not be accurately tight through a mask. It is also difficult to see / hear how children are producing sounds that are being taught. Also, if all children are brought back to school there will not be room to distance children at 3 feet in a classroom. This spring with additional tables and all other furniture removed from my room I was able to fit 17 children in my room. I would not be able to fit more than 1 more child in my room and I have a larger room. As far as 6 feet required in the cafe, we currently have children sitting 3 feet about for breakfast and snack. Even if the 6 feet could be managed in the cafe for an entire grade level it doesn't make sense.
The data does not support that masking children is preventative or productive in any way. Our children have been masked for a year. Please allow parents to decide weather masking their child is appropriate. If a parent wishes their child to be masked, then they are welcome to, but to mandate masks for all children in the Fall is not only unnecessary, it's wrong, and supports no science. PLEASE consider our children with the rest of the board. Especially our special needs children who are struggling with mask-wearing.
The data that supports COVID is transferred through children and therefore reasonable to wear masks. If not, masks should be optional.
The mask mandate has been lifted in the state of NH. I feel that children should not have to wear a mask. And they should not be mandated to have a vaccine. Especially since they are at very low risk of contracting and spreading Covid. Teachers have already had the opportunity to get their vaccinations. And are of very low risk, of contracting Covid.
The physical harm and mental harm of children having to continue to wear a mask for yet another school year, far out ways any risk that Covid proposes in that age category.
The mask mandate needs to be removed altogether. The young children are in the lowest risk range therefore should not be forced to wear masks.
The masks need to go.
The science does not support the wearing of masks. In fact some studies conclude that masks make the spread of the virus worse. I am also against the use of an experimental vaccine in children. The symptoms are mostly flu-like and not serious. Building immunity is a good thing.
The vaccine is not required... how can we assure that children and adults 12 and up are vaccinated for their protection? Despite eligibility, what happens to those that choose to remain unvaccinated?
The year should be opened as normal with no mask requirement and no extra 3 ft or 6 ft spacing.
There is a litany of reasons that people don't feel comfortable vaccinating their children at this point. The masking and social distancing has also become unacceptable at this point in the pandemic. The parents don't need to do it, so it's just not right forcing the children to do the same. If you don't lift the mask mandate and assure parents that you won't use vaccine status as a way to segregate our children then many will leave the public school system and cost the city thousands of lost tax dollars as they move to private schools. We all want what is best for the kids, please stop using national medical boards to make your decisions for you. Dover has incredibly low numbers and the kids don't deserve another year of mask mandates. Private schools in the same zip code have already proven the use of masks inside of classrooms and at recess are unnecessary as they avoided outbreaks as well. The world is getting back to normal, but this new mandate doesn't reflect it.
There is little to no risk to this population. Masks should not be required.
There is no mask mandate for summer school. Why are we tightening for the fall? Students, particularly young students, need to see faces for best practice teaching of SEL and academics.
There isn't enough data. Masks are ineffective. Vaccinations should not be mandatory.
There should be no masks. Kids are out of school now in camps and playing at eachothers houses without masks. The masks need to go! And the distance in the classroom and cafeteria should be gone as well.
These children are out in public not social distancing and not wearing masks and are perfectly fine. Let the kids go to school without masks, this is getting a little bit ridiculous.
These kids will be doing everything all summer together without masks. They are no longer needed anywhere else. They do not need to wear mask if patents still want their kids to wear a mask that should be their choice but all kids should not have to continue doing this
This age group is not at risk for severe illness from Covid and should be allowed to be mask free.
This is completely unacceptable. There should absolutely be NO MASK MANDATE at this point. If some students/parents/teachers would like to wear them that is fine, but requiring them is not acceptable!
This model greatly impacts instruction and student learning. For our youngest learners, having the teacher masked and being so spread out makes impacts teaching and learning more than people realize. I'm not sure how I feel about continuing this plan-I just know that educationally it's far less than ideal.
This past spring, 3 foot distancing was not actually maintained in our children's school. Teachers have told us that our children were constantly within 3 feet of each other throughout the day. Also, our children had to eat lunch in their classroom and we want them to be able to leave their classroom and eat in the cafeteria.
Today's vaccines are not FDA approved and any plans or communications should consider this. Using language such as "until children ages ..." infers that the school district will make this mandatory.
Be careful with these words and how they will be received. As for masks many schools and businesses have adopted a program that when the child/employee is at their desk they can remove their mask. They do have tissues in case they sneeze due to allergies and a small bottle of sanitizer. It teaches kids good practices and they become part of the solution. They must where it when they move outside of their 3 ft space which is very reasonable. When they are in the hallways, going to the bathroom they must wear it. This has been a very good compromise, keeps risks low and lessens the discomfort of being in buildings that will be very hot and many will have a difficult time breathing. I would highly suggest allowing this small change. The option to take it off when at their desk. Parents who want the extra precautions can advise their child they must wear it which allows choice for those parents. The additional funding that can only be used for COVID should focus mostly on the environment (HVAC) to keep the quality of the air clean. Not only does this address keeping our risks low, it is a long-term investment as this virus and other types of virus will always be here. It will keep the learning environment comfortable as we have heard for many years it is just too hot in many of our buildings. The high school and garrison are ready. I believe the middle school has most of this ready but may need to get the actual unit. Then we are looking at two other schools. Look at the options of the wall units or floor units so at least the classrooms could have the best air quality.
Another consideration to think about is many companies, other schools, businesses are following CDC guidelines which allows a person the option to provide vaccine information which keeps the HIPA supported. If the school district must know about vaccine numbers, a way to support this is the following: 1. determine an ID for each student. 2. this ID is not to be shared with the staff/teachers only the SAU office in which they have signed a privacy document that they cannot share this information. 3. each parent can share whether the child is vaccinated 4. once this is collected for each school you can see what percentage of the population has the vaccine. 5. if the number is acceptable (for example 70%) then decisions can be made differently 6. anyone who may have symptoms would be asked to be tested in order to not make people uncomfortable (the Scarlett Letter). Everyone must understand that there are many reasons to decide or not to decide to take the vaccine. Being in support of vaccines I am not having my child do this until there is more data, more testing and an FDA approval happens. My mother had a stroke after her vaccine and a good friend lost their 15-year old son right after his vaccine because his heart was enlarged in which he had never had any medical issues. He was an athlete and he is now dead. Please don't put us in these awful situations and consider all views.
Unless Delta variant get out of control, I feel mask are not needed with current low case numbers
Unmask our children. We are killing their immune systems and respiratory systems.
Unmask the kids!
very difficult year if you try to enforce masks on little kids. get over yourselves.
When the vaccination is available for 3-11, those choosing not to vaccinate should be required to continue to mask.
While I support this aspect of the plan, in ESY masks are optional even for ages 3-11. I am in strong disagreement with this change in ESY as a parent, and want children in this age group to be masked while in the school building (unless eating or drinking or taking a safe mask break away from others) until this age group has the opportunity to be vaccinated. I am not understanding why the mask mandate was changed/dropped for ESY.
With a high number of adults vaccinated, the students and staff are safe. CDC only recommends Those not vaccinated and has lifted mandates for all settings but healthcare, corrections and homeless. No masks but optional by family. No masks. You are overreacting. VaccinTe teachers or use the same ADA accommodations as all other employers which is have the unvaccinated wear a mask. No need for 3 feet.
With the low risk to k-8 kids i do not support them wearing masks. The summer activities my kids are in no longer require masks. Who knows when kids that young will be able to vaccinated and I am not sure it will be recommended that they are.
You cannot force us to vaccinate our kids. Unacceptable
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#3 Open Response
100% open as normal.
6 to 3 foot social distancing should still be enforced even for those who are vaccinated especially when eating is taking place as even those who are fully vaccinated can contract the virus.
All high school kids and staff have had the opportunity to vaccinate. No masks in HS.
all schools should lift the mask option unless they want to wear it
And why not do it for K-8. They are the absolute lowest risk group.
Board should absolutely eliminate 6 foot social distancing and mask requirements for high school. Those who are not vaccinated may continue wear a mask and social distance.
Contingent on data -masks not required unless uptake in cases

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Continue with masks
COVID 19 Variants may be a factor. The science should determine whether vaccinations are effective and weather masks are needed.
Covid-19 variants are of concern, and supposedly spread more rapidly and cause severe illness.
dare you to share the results with the community TODAY
Do not just consider this, make it policy.
Don't "consider" lifting requirements. Just eliminate masks and social distancing all together.
Dropping these requirements should not be contingent on vaccinations seeing that infection and transmission can (and does) occur while vaccinated.
I believe all age groups should not have to wear masks! Let it be parental option for there kids
I believe masks should still be required
I do not support mask wearing and social distancing for children. Mask wearing, especially, has detrimental health effects for both adults and children. I would never support any steps to reinstate masks.
I have no control over who gets vaccinated and who does not. It is against HIPPA to ask and should not be (one more) reason the teachers won't teach in the classroom.
I support this plan, but a robust contact tracing/quarantine plan must still be in place. Dover will always have an unvaccinated subset of its population and therefore will likely deal with some level of ongoing classroom spread.
I think we need to see what is happening with the Covid variants closer to when schools reopen and then assess, following CDC guidelines.
I'm unsure of lifting this mandate due to the uncertainty of the new Covid Delta variant.
If numbers and cases in the community increase I think it would be reasonable to ask students to wear a mask when switching classes.
If you want to wear mask you should be able to
It is lifted everywhere else. Lift in the schools. You are overreacting.
Just because someone is vaccinated doesn't mean they can not bring it home.to others that have not been vaccinated
Kids are not social distancing anywhere. Why would they at school?
Maintain distance as there is no way of confirming vaccination status.
Mandatory vaccines
Mask still on until the case rate is zero, delta variant is more transferable
Mask wearing and social distancing should be encouraged to protect those who cannot get vaccinated for whatever reason or those who have chosen to not be vaccinated. Vaccines are not 100% effective.
Masking and vaccinating a population with a 99 percent survival rate is ABUSE
Masks for unvaccinated students and staff
No mandatory masks for unvaccinated
No masks
No masks and no distancing.
No masks at all
If the athletes get the choice so does the students
no masks required
No more admin on lunch duty.
No social distancing anywhere.
NO VACCINES!!NO
MASKS!!
Not all are vaccinated, so the need to keep students masked should still be in effect. It is NOT proven that full vaccination still prevent full immunity to covid 19.
Not just considered but lifted. Also, almost half of students at DMS and all of staff have had the opportunity to be vaccinated. Lift mask mandate for those students old enough to have been vaccinated at DMS as well.
Not unless at least 70% are vaccinated
only if you allow kindergarteners the same luxury regardless of vaccine status
Require proof.
Staff in the elementary school have also had the opportunity to get vaccinated
Stop being over the top protective
The mask wearing in upper schools may need to be worn if the community covid levels rise.
The risk of variants on vaccine efficacy
The variants need to be carefully considered. Despite vaccination, people can still get COVID and/or pass it onto others.
There isn't a 6 ft. Distance as is and many kids did not get vaccinated. Keep the social distancing and masks.
This option does not take into consideration the fact the there will be a number of unvaccinated, therefore unprotected students and/or teachers in the school. There should continue to be some type of social distancing in place and recommendations that unvaccinated students continue to wear masks until the CDC declares that it is safe to be unmasked.
This should be the only question on the survey.
This should only happen once there is a vaccination requirement. Otherwise it won't be enough to protect anyone.
Those who chose to be unvaccinated should have to wear a mask.
Those who have chosen to not get vaccinated should have to wear a mask to avoid another outbreak.
Un vaccinated will need to be masked.
Unvaccinated staff and students should continue to wear masks to protect young students who are not yet able to receive the vaccination
Vaccinated or not, mask mandate should not be in place during the school day. Personal/family choice
VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS
We are hearing new variants now and then everywhere.So,it's better to wear mask even though the staff is vaccinated.
We need more clarity on this point. Students, and parents alike need more information on what will be allowed and what will not. For example, will students still be allowed to wear masks if they so choose?
We support this, except feel strongly that anyone who has not been vaccinated be required to wear a mask (teachers, staff, and students). Proof of vaccination should be required (not the "honor" system).
What is the vaccination rate of students and staff? If it's at a CDC acceptable level for herd immunity, I think it's fine.
With mask recommended for staff and teachers and students who are not vaccinated.
With or without vaccine. Lift the rule
Would like masks to be mandated during flu season and if variants occur.
Yes however please respect our privacy and do not require kids to show their vaccine card or make the kids who are not feel uncomfortable or have to explain why they are not. A lawyer will be involved because this vaccine is optional just like the flu vaccine is and they are part of the same SARS family. A family in which the virus cannot be stopped unless childhood diseases (polio). If the population of the school meets whenever the guideline is, then accept it.
Yes provided there is a plan to add mask use back in should numbers increase as expected in the fall.
Yes. Everyone who wants a vaccine has had a chance to get one. Back to normal please.
You are inadvertently forcing these people to get vaccines that have not 1) been tested on children 2) not FDA approved and 3) punishing the younger grades because they cannot get a vaccine.
You cannot mandate vaccination you cannot force people to get vaccinated

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#4 Open Response

I believe they should not have to social distance at all
3 feet is required for personal space, covid time or not.
3 feet will not accommodate class sizes at the high school. Just eliminate social distancing.
3 foot distancing should be eliminated.
3 foot distancing with young kids in loose fitting/drooping cloth masks is not affording anyone any real protection against Covid transmission. 3 foot distancing is fine and numerically allows for full return, and it certainly will help with the reduction in spread of other typically circulating germs (which will reduce days at home due to Covid symptom presentation). Until all children are able to get vaccinated, these minimal basic protective actions should still be taken despite the fact that they are annoying and largely ineffective.
Again NO - our students and parents have had to put up with this for far too long. Our students deserve a NORMAL school year - follow the actual SCIENCE. Children in this age group are at a very low risk, so please stop punishing them!
Again no other place is requiring this any more it needs to go away get kids back to normal school life
Also consider that teachers and staff can not hover over each child and that the kids do not in any way shape or form consistently maintain a recommended distance regardless of constant reminders and countless miles of blue tape on floors and walls. As much as you would like to believe they keep them separated, I urge you to hang out in the halls of DMS for a day and tell me that you believe in a distancing mandate for kids.
Although would like to see smaller children allowed to be closer.
An airborne infection (like what we are dealing with now) allows for transmission regardless of "social distance". Get rid of the distance façade.
As long as students are not sitting across from each other.
But will class sizes actually be 20 students?

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Children are not actually maintaining 3ft distances in practice, so let's bring the furniture and typical classroom set ups back. It's really just for show at this point.

Classrooms can not run "as normal" at 3-foot distancing. Many classrooms do not have enough furniture to accommodate this with class sizes at maximum. It was possible in the spring because not all classrooms were full in. Many elementary classrooms have tables that hold six students but with 3-feet distancing reduces tables to 3 students each.

Depends on class size.

Distancing requirement is fine if need be.

Do you really think having a 3 foot rule makes any difference? We're talking about kids who don't care about covid. And who regularly stands within 3 feet of other people anyways? That rule makes zero difference.

Doesn't matter how far apart they are. They will be fine if anything they get colds and other viruses anyways. My kids got NORMAL colds during school even with mask on so just let them go back normally.

Don't work

Eliminate the need for social distancing.

Eliminate this requirement

Enough with all of this. No social distancing!

Follow CDC

Get rid of the social distancing before another tragedy

How does this affect classes with labs and working as a team?

HS no social distancing.

I am very torn on this aspect of the plan. This year I was able to fit 24 desks in my 5th grade classroom following 3 feet distancing. Looking ahead to next year, my minimum class size will be 26 students (260-270 5th grade students in 10 homerooms). In order to fit 26+ desks I will need to remove my classroom library which is an essential part of my LA classroom. There will also be students who will be seated at a desk that will not be able to see my smartboard which I have always used in my teaching.

The capacity studies that were conducted to determine the number of students that can fit in a classroom at 3 feet distancing did not take into account best educational practices. Having a student desk against the wall with my smartboard is not a feasible option if my goal is to provide the best education possible to my students. I urge the School Board and District Administration to take another look at classroom capacity with 3 feet distancing in light of the large class sizes expected in 5th grade due to the reduction from 12 classes to 10.

However, my students will not be vaccinated by the beginning of the school year and I want them to be safe. 3 feet distancing is one way to provide my students with the safest classroom I can.

I do not believe that the distancing requirement is necessary. Covid has not been hospitalizing or severely impacting children under the age of 11.

I do not know how we can a distance of 3 feet AND have classes return to district guidelines. The only way we were able to accommodate the 3feet distance was be because so many children stayed virtual. When all children return it will not be possible to keep 3 feet distance in the classroom.

I do not support statements like "Depending on CDC and other health guidelines the recommended social distancing may change." This puts the full authority and decision making for my child's health in the hands of adults who are not responsible for my child's health. It also sets the stage for the district to change rules on the fly which upset family routines and a child's learning environment.

I don't think there needs to be any distance guidelines in the classroom.

I don't feel 3-ft social distancing is necessary if kids are still wearing masks and any other adults are fully vaccinated. Either keep 3-ft social distancing with no masks or remove social distancing if masks are required.

I don't feel the 3-foot rule is necessary any longer.

I don't feel we need to do any distancing at this time. I think the classroom needs to go back to the "normal" classrooms pre- Covid, so that children can have a normal school year and get their classrooms and routines back, as well as have their class opportunities back.

I don't know where you are getting your numbers, but my classroom can absolutely not fit the same amount of students and adults in it at 3 feet. So, depending on class size this may NOT be true. I could not fit one more student in my room this year and it was one of my smallest classes ever.

I e watched kids socially and in sports, and they don't follow the 3 foot guidelines.

I feel they would be fine without the 3 foot guidelines

I guess if that's the only way you will open, I'll support it. I find the CDC somewhat unreliable in the way they've put out information over the past year.

I support no social distancing.

I support normal class sizes. I don't think 3 feet was actually happening at the elementary school level and don't know that it's necessary based on recent data and NH no longer requiring quarantine for close contacts unless they are a household member. I do think the separate desks helped my own kids academically though so would like to see that kept.

I'm okay with social distancing when necessary, but as long as there isn't significant community transmission of Covid, I do not believe even a three-foot distance is necessary. Let kids play together without worrying about whether they are too close.

If Covid levels are low, small group learning would be great!

If high schoolers are vaccinated, distancing should not matter. They should be allowed to sit in groups.

If the kids are vaccinated they should not need to social distance at all

If the vaccines work, social distancing is unnecessary.

It is time to let kids collaborate and work in groups. Very hard to do with 3 foot distancing.

It's not feasible to keep kids 3 feet apart so why are we implementing these guidelines that we can't adhere to?

Just go back to the regular classroom setup, let the kids eat together and socialize. It is just as important at that age than what they are learning about.

Kids are together in summer camps unmasked and not distanced

Kids need to develop socially, and that includes small group interaction. It is difficult to work on projects together if they are not allowed to be near each other. It makes the classrooms seem cold and more uninviting.

Masks and 3 ft social distancing does nothing. Please stop pretending that a piece of cloth and 3 ft makes a difference. If families are not comfortable with full return to in-person instruction, they should enroll in VLACS.

My child is going into 5th. I heard there are now only 10 classrooms, making the largest class sizes of 25+ children. I'm concerned with keeping the 3ft. how will they even all fit? Talking with my son, spacing lasted a week, because teachers and paras needed to get close to help. It's not fair for both the teachers and students to have a classroom of just desks and no books or materials because there's no room.

My children were not currently socially distancing 3 feet in the spring at school. Teachers said their desks were closer than that, they had to walk in the halls closer than that and they already had smaller class sizes. How will they accomplish this with normal class sizes?

No 3 feet distancing at all, this is having a serious impact on students mental health. In light of recent events (suicide) I would hope the board would want the students to return to as normal a world as they can.

No distancing

No distancing is necessary.

No masks no vaccines

No necessary

No scientific evidence for 3 ft or 6 ft distancing

no social distance required

No social distances

NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS

No social distancing should be required.

No social distancing.

No three foot distance

Not if class sizes are 26 or more

Open school up; no restrictions.

OTHER SCHOOLS ARE BACK TO NORMAL, WHAT EXACTLY IS DOVERS PROBLEM??

please consider how a 1:1 para will support their student if required to keep distance - this does not help the student when that direct support is needed

Please note that prior to Covid, most students maintain this distance as a normal social distance. It is NOT possible to maintain this at all times, realistically.

Remove mask requirements for vaccinated middle schoolers.

Remove the social distancing mandate

Ridiculous

Social distance is not necessary

Social distancing is not needed any longer. These kids have been out enjoying summer, friends, sleepovers etc. But you want them to social distance at school?

Students are already around each other all summer long without masks and not adhering to the 3 feet rule. Classrooms were maxed out in space this spring and with class sizes increasing, some classrooms will not be big enough.

The mandate wasn't enforced anyway, so why have an unenforced rule?

There is no need for social distancing.

There should no longer be any mandates concerning COVID-19. WE ALL NEED TO GO BACK TO NORMAL!!!

This expectation needs to be a reality and not just on paper if accepted. This was not consistently followed in 2021.

This is a bit confusing. I am looking forward to teaching k this year, but if we have a 3-6 ft social distancing furniture, games, puzzles, book shelves, theatre, building and creation stations and many other interactive learning stations will be lacking in order to keep the social distancing in effect. I'm not in favor of 3-6ft social distancing.

Though teachers should be able to set up groups/tables for collaborative group work with 3-feet distance. This is important. Students need to be able to collaborate. Sitting in rows is not effective.

Time to remove the limit.

Use other city buildings and spread out more. Classes are too big already. Smaller classes more teachers, better funding.

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We should follow CDC but not be any more stringent than their recommendations.

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Kids should be able to eat together with together without spacing

Kids should be able to sit together at lunch in pods.

Kids should be in classroom for lunch to limit exposure to other students unmasked

Kids will be together and unmasked all summer. It's not realistic to think they will be masked and again socially distance in the fall.

Let the kids interact with their classmates.

Let them be kids.

Let them be normal. They can't be eating so early or late. Being hungry can effect their focus

Let them eat closer.

Let them eat normally.

Let them have normalcy

Lunch in the classrooms at elementary level at Woodman worked great. Stick with this for next year.

Lunches should be at an appropriate time of day and offer an appropriate amount of time for eating. Early morning/late afternoon lunches give too lengthy an amount of time between meals and shorter lunch periods require rushed/unhealthy eating.

Maintaining 3-foot distance, even while eating.

Making it a 3-6 foot distance with flexibility depending on space requirements and student needs

Most students complained that the lunches were cold because they had recess first and ate lunch second.

My child has had to eat very quickly to get through their "lunch" time. Would like traditional lunches back.

My children hate eating lunch in their classrooms. If we are getting back to normal, let them eat in the cafeteria please. The change of scenery is a break for them. They need to move!

No distancing

No distancing is necessary.

No masks

No masks, no social distancing.

No need to stay 6 feet apart

No social distances

NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS

No social distancing, the kids find ways around it anyway

No social distancing! Enough is enough.

No vaccine requirements. Why is this so complicated?

Not feasible. 3 foot distance.

Not needed

Not require 6ft regardless of vaccine status fall

Not require social distancing

Open back up; no restrictions.

Optional masks

Please consider lunchtime issues, such as food allergies, when the cafeteria is unable to be used.

Please let the kids return to a normal life.

Please reduce to 3 ft. As an educator in a neighboring district- who has had lunch duty- during a pandemic- I can assure you that no child has maintained 6ft.

Please research the low # of cases in this age group. 6 ft social distancing is not necessary.

Regular lunch activities

Remove mask mandate and 6-foot distancing in cafeterias.

Remove social distancing

Remove the social distancing requirement.

Return to normal activities.

Schools do not have enough staff to monitor these lunches. Staff is stretched so thin issues arise. Eliminate 6 foot spacing.

See above

see above question 2

See above recommendation

See above. Magic doesn't happen at 3 or 6 feet distance with an airborne virus.

See answers to question 2

Six foot distancing is not needed in any school during lunch times.

Social distancing is a useless step. Children are not at risk and most adults at school have already been vaccinated. Adults who have not should be allowed to wear a mask if they so choose or assume the risk.

Social distancing not needed.

Social distancing really isn't necessary anymore. These kids have gone through so much they deserve to go to school and have it be normal.

Stop with the guidelines and masks!!! Enough is enough

The kids and their families are NOT doing this outside of school. This is a very false and misleading idea. No one is doing this and it is very stressful for kids at lunch. Stop it.

The transmission amongst the unvaccinated age group is VERY low and therefore should not have all these restrictions. Every other establishment has gone back to normal and so should the schools!

There is no need for social distancing.

There is not room in the schools to have six feet distances while eating. This is an unrealistic and unreasonable expectation.

There should be no distance guidelines.

There should not be any social distancing.

But if you do, 12 year olds and older shouldn't have to do this. I'm sure this can be accommodated.

These children are seeing each other and eating closer than this all summer. Not sure how some cafeterias will allow for the 6 feet

These kids are not at risk.

They are already eating breakfast and snack at 3ft in the room, so 6ft for lunch is not necessary.

This again is an unacceptable plan.

This has not been enforced. It is not able to be accommodated during other times during the day such as snack with 3 students at a 5 feet + table and 2 students at trapezoid tables.

This is not even a requirement in most restaurants where strangers from all over can congregate without masks. Our children need the social interaction. From what I've heard from my son and several of his peers they have had to eat meals around their masks.

This is ridiculous!

Those who are vaccinated should not have to distance.

Too over the top worried,

Traditional lunch schedule, mainly due to such limited staffing.

VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS

We ate in our classrooms last year. The kids tried very hard to maintain distancing, wore a mask when they needed to get up for something. Children did eat more and there was less talking.

We don't need to maintain six foot social distancing at lunch, especially since it takes away from learning time. Our children have been eating lunch together at pre-school and camp, unmasked and without social distancing. We are not concerned by the risk this poses.

We love to see the kids outside as much as possible, including lunch times, so that they can have a bit of safe normalcy.

Why is it 3 ft in classes but 6 ft for breakfast/lunch? It should all be 3ft social distancing if any at all.

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#6 Open Response

Absolutely unnecessary. These kids have been outside all summer playing as normal. I think it is crazy and unnecessary for the strict guidelines especially outside!

Again see above

Again, children are at very low risk of contracting and spreading Covid. Why are you trying to take their "pre-Covid opportunities of playing outside away from them. They need their outside time.

The CDC has lifted the mandate. Why are we even having to have this conversation.

The loss of a full school year doing because of Covid. And then strict rules with the mask. have already caused mental illness and even suicide to go up with children. Why are we even considering putting these restrictions on our children again.

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Again, children are not at risk. The district is creating an environment of fear and anxiety for children in the schools.

Again, normalcy unless there are spikes in cases again.

Again, the transmission rate of this age group is VERY minimal and there should not be any restrictions!!

Again, they aren't pariahs and there's not sufficient data to support such liberal measures

all kids at recess - limits are ridiculous

All the children want to do is play with easy other and use the playground. Remove the mandate.

All the kids are playing sports and socializing without restrictions. There is no data to support reducing numbers on the playground.

Allow full recess

Allowing a normal return to recess. Recess is outdoors and transmission rates are low outdoors.

As long as recess is outside, no concerns. With inclement weather, classes will need to cohort.

At the PK-8 level, recess will need to be carefully planned given that there is no vaccine for this age group. -- "NO IT DOESN'T" GET OVER YOURSELVES

Back to a typical recess model.

Back to normal, please.

But keeping it with only their classroom is hard on these kids. They need breaks from classmates and to be able to see other kids.

Children & camps play all together...it shouldn't stop

Children have been playing together already. Outside air diminishes likelihood of transmission. Have a separate play area for children whose parents request it.

children should all be allowed to play together outside UNMASKED and allowed to play with their peers in other classes. Look at playgrounds look at other outdoor places kids are unmasked together and all different ages, you need to look at the numbers of elementary level kids that actually have covid. why make them suffer like this.

Distancing not needed unless you can show is the DATA

Do not limit play outside

For indoor recess yes but for outside should go back to normal

Go back to normal

Go back to normal.

Go back to pre pandemic for playground play.

Have you seen how the entire city is behaving? No one is doing this. This age group just sent to several baseball tournaments around NE and half of the city is on vacation outside of NE. This is just theater to make it look better but no one abides by this. Don't do it.

How are you proposing manageable. There is virtually no risk of transmission outdoors

I agree with this. A suggestion to eliminate congestion on the playground would be on some days classes play inside the classroom. They could do a fun, easy craft, coloring, painting, building something. That way they get play time but less people in one area of the school inside and out for recess.

I am willing to do double duties at the beginning of the year but I do not want to have to do double duties all year. Also, since masks were not required outside at the end of the school year it seems the children could play together outside.

I believe that recess should return back to normal

I feel in outdoor settings and in the lower risk category, kids should be allowed to go back to playing at recess as they did pre-COVID.

I feel that if they are outside, the need for more restrictive social distancing is not necessary.

I feel they will be fine

I feel while outside, things can go back to more normal as long as case numbers remain low

I support less kids at recess solely for the purpose of reduced chances for major conflict

I think Dover school board is going to extraordinary lengths to prevent any kind of normalcy for the students despite all other schools, companies and venues reducing restrictions all around us. The mental health for these students should be considered and putting restrictions in place that are stricter than any other school or city around us is detrimental

I think full attendance outdoors is fine

I think recess can go back to normal

I would follow the science and weigh the benefits of children having unmasked, free interactions outside. The mental health aspects need to be carefully considered and having more freedom when outside where risk is so minimal could have more benefits.

In outdoor spaces, children should be able to freely play across cohorts without segmenting them within certain regions of the playground. The science does not support the need to keep children separated in this way when outside. The social benefits of allowing all students to re-engage with each other outweigh the minimal increase in risk. My position would likely change if the Delta variant starts disproportionately affecting young children in NH as it is currently doing in the UK. My assessment is based on here and now. I'm hoping we won't have to wait too long before all school-age children are vaccine eligible.

It doesn't affect kids. Stop. And come on, why would anyone be concerned about outdoor activity unless you're totally blind to the facts?

Just let them all outside as normal.

Kids have been playing sports together for months with no masks and there have been no issues. Playing on the playground is no different. Just let the kids get back to normal

Kids need to be social. It's really important especially at the younger ages. Allow the kids to play as normal.

Kids outside should be allowed to play as they desire. No need to create smaller recess groups.

Kids playing outside is not a risk. Again- families that don't want full in-person experience can choose VLACS.

Kids should be able to move outside freely

Kids were miserable when they returned and had to do this. Let kids be kids. Let them just get out and play.

Let all have recess with no limitations

Let it return to normal as it is everywhere else

LET KIDS PLAY - VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS

Let kids play in pre-COVID fashion. Some parents may want their children to wear masks which will be their choice. Don't manage the outdoors activities.

Let kids play on the playground

Let the children play.

Let the kids be kids. The school board has done enough damage with the 2020-2021 school year.

Let the kids have a childhood where they play with those friends with out masks!!!!

Let the kids play outside as they normally would. Most of these kids are at each other's houses after school or during activities anyway. Let them play with their friends not just the kids in their classes. They've had enough separation and need these social interactions.

Let the kids play. If they are outside- they will be breathing fresh air!

Let the kids run and play without constraint. You are perpetuating fear of illness and socialization in this age group.

Let them all play together

let them all play together like they have been doing all summer

Let them be kids.

Let them play and be kids

Let them play!

Let's get back to normal

Limiting outside time for young children should not be an option.

Many many many schools around us and elsewhere have had full numbers at recess with pretty much no issues. Kids this age can barely stand still for 10 mins so based on the CDC guidelines you have to be in contact with a person who has COVID for at least 10 mins or they have to directly sneeze in your mouth to put it simply. Let the parents decide if they want their child to run around with the full population. Those parents who don't want this, can opt into having their kids with a smaller group but still be outside. Based on the data from last year, 70% of parents wanted to be in person. Kids that are outside, running and playing will be at low risk and again parent choice. They are not in the building they are in a space where there is a lot of air! Just remind the kids to use hand sanitizer or wash their hands when coming back in. Again, the way this question is written is suggesting a mandate of a vaccine. Keep the questions to the point "Recess needs to be carefully planned to allow enough space. Are you open to looking at options as to how to keep numbers manageable to keep risk and exposure low?" I know everyone has different levels of fear and change. Ask for ideas but give us more details about the problem to solve with you. For example, in Grade 4 we have 100 kids and they have two recess periods (50 kids each). The recess space is XXX. The problem we are looking to solve is to keep 10 kids together at a time. Do you have ideas as to how to keep the numbers reasonable? Just a suggestion.

Many will be together all summer.

Masks are no longer requires outside for any age group based on the CDC guidelines unless you are at a large gathering such as a concert. Let the kids be outside getting fresh air!

Masks should not be required for outdoors or recess. Outside transmission has proven to be almost nil. If masks and social distances bag is lessened, more kids can be put for recess at the same time.

My kids have been around other kids without there mask all summer so far and events. We are fine let they play normally.

My kids miss playing with their friends from other classes and also do not like being assigned an area to play in that is not a typical playspace, such as the side of the school. Also, our children should not have to wear masks outside.

No distancing

No distancing is necessary.

No masks, no distancing.

no need

No one is social distancing outside of school this is ridiculous

No planning needed; let the kids have normal recess.

No social distances

NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS

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No social distancing. It is not necessary.
No vaccine requirements.
NO YOUR RIDICULOUS IDEAS ARE ABUSE
Normal recess should be back this school year. As a parent who has stayed quite about this for far too long - I'm truly saddened by the lack of leadership and that the city officials are still upholding this mandate!
Only if they can take masks off.
Open it all back up and stop reacting to fear. There are far too many examples both nationally and locally of schools that were open the entire time and are not as far behind academically as I believe our kids are.
Outdoor and unmasked play has little risk. Return to typical recess schedule.
Outdoor playground time should not need the same criteria as inside restrictions.
Outdoor time should not be limited
Outdoors transmission is low. If they are going to spaced too learn and eat, let them play outside at least regularly
Outside of school there are play dates and sports teams and birthday parties happening where children are playing. The small recess time is not a concern of mine.
Outside play does not transmit Covid- go back to normal!
Outside there isn't the same need for distancing. Get kids outside often!! Classes, eating and for recreation.
Outside, optional masks
Plan is general and not specific. It is safer outside.
Please allow kids to be kids. Recess should be mask-free and allow kids to interact with each other without social distancing rules.
Please consider letting kids play outside freely. We all know now that transmission outdoors is not very likely. If they are going to be made to wear masks and distance still indoors, at least let them be kids outside.
Please do not require masks outside during recess. If recess times and the number of students is being considered then students shouldn't have to wear masks outside.
Please research the low # of cases in this age group. 6 ft social distancing is not necessary
Plenty of sports and activities have been happening for months now without masks and without distancing.
Recess should be back to normal with full classrooms outside. These children are playing together the second they get off the bus, your being naive thinking that all summer these children are not hanging out and playing together.
Return to normal activities.
Return to normal recess protocol.
Return to normal!
Return to normal. No need to manage numbers.
Return to pre Covid recess at this point
Same as above
See above
see above question 2
See answer to question 2
See previous answers...
Since the risk of transmission outdoors is so low, I do not feel that recess should be restricted and classes should be able to mix.
Stop letting scared teachers and a union dictate the valuable experiences kids need. It's outside.
Students are outside and should continue to be unmasked. Keep as it was this past year. There were no issues.
Students are outside- less transfer for elementary students. Should be no restrictions outside
Students need to be able to make choices about where they play, what they do, and who they play with during recesses. Restricting their grouping and location is not best for SEL and causes playground issues.
The CDC has stated that transmission is very unlikely outdoors and removed their mask recommendation. I believe children should be allowed to have recess outside without restrictions.
The children can all play outside together at the same time. Especially since doing otherwise would mean cutting into their classroom time. I am not at all concerned that my child will contract covid from another child while playing outside on the playground.
The science says the risk of spread outside is extremely low. The benefits of seeing friends not in their classroom and the social and emotional benefits outweighs the risk of getting covid in an outside environment. The science says the grades can go back to normal recesses without masks. I would like to see that happen.
There is no data supporting outside transmission of Covid driving cases, let alone transmission by children outside. Let them go back to normal recess outside.
There is no outdoor transmission especially among children. Let them play together-unmasked!
These kids are able to interact without masks essentially everywhere except their schools. This is usually an outdoor activity, in addition it has been shown children this do not spread this virus as effectively as older students. If they can play sports without the need for distancing and can play at parks outside school hours without enforced distancing, there is no need for this at recess time.
These kids have been around each other, no distancing, no nothing all summer. With family, friends. Stop. Let the kids go back to normal.
They are outside
They are outside no distancing required
They are outside, let them be.
They are outside, many of these children have been playing unmasked sports together for months. All you are doing is frightening the impressionable ones and limiting the social development of the rest. This should have been lifted in January. The fact that you forced these kids to wear masks in 95 degree heat on pavement is unacceptable. Pushing to maintain this rule into next year isn't right.
They are outside. Transmission is zero where there is open air, sunshine, and a breeze.
This is ridiculous, they should not be restricted
We already know that outside is very low risk for transmission, even unmasked. It seems ineffective to enforce outside measures like these.
We didn't do it at DMS this spring and it was fine
What sort of number is "manageable"? There is no keeping young children 6ft apart when they are running wild on a playground.
When outside they should be able to play with other classrooms. As I stayed before they are at other peoples houses and camps now. Outside at school is no different.
Would like to go back to pre Covid recess
You do know that UV light kills the covid 19 virus right? Recess shouldn't be affected.

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#7 Open Response

Activities need to go back to pre-Covid situations. Kids are at little or no risk at this point.
All sports and extracurricular activities should be allowed and performed.
As long as individuals who are not vaccinated wear a mask
As long as no masks are worn during practices/games. It is distracting and dangerous.
Athletics should be unrestricted and mask free
Back to normal.
Does this include band, chorus, theater?
Follow NHIAA rules, and that is it.
Get rid of the words "declared over". Those words shouldn't be used...its never going to be "over". These words give a never ending platform to keep all these ridiculous rules in place.

Events should go back to normal. Outside capacities need to go back to normal. Fenway is full. Dover needs to also.
Go back to normal
However, outdoor sports should not require the same restrictions as indoor sports
I feel that athletic programming at these age levels should go back to the extent it was pre-pandemic.
I support following pre-pandemic rules now. No masks indoors or outside.
I support the wording with athletics. What about clubs? Sports are important, but so are clubs. Drama. Art. Games. DI. Robotics. Language. We need to make sure these are back at the schools. All told they probably have more participants than sports.
I would urge the school board to reach out to the NHIAA and recommend they not drag their feet this upcoming fall season in order that school programs are not merely affected (shut down) because of lack of timely guidance or oversight.
If it's a choice between academics and sports, can the better decision of supporting academics be chosen this time? You can't choose sports as a school board then then bash academics - well, you can, but it's asinine. So many students suffered for the benefit of having athletes be able to have peer interaction while the others were left without a thought.
If sports get to play, the kids who don't do sports should be able to have their clubs as well
It's over
Just let it go back normally.
Just return to normal as policy.
Let all sports play!
LET KIDS PLAY - VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS

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LET SPORTS GO BACK TO NORMAL
Let the kids play unaffected.
Let them play, especially if outside. Coaches are uptight because school board rides the AD so much and drive fear.
Literally the entire sports program is playing regional sports. NO ONE is doing this. For the love of god, do not do this. You look ridiculous and NO ONE supports this. NO ONE.
Mask less and close contact sports have been the source of most transmissions
Mask wearing during an athletic event is ridiculous. It does nothing but put the athletes at risk due to breathing through a piece of cloth while exercising.
My child is suffering because he needs to wear a mask this is not fair
He is 8 and I will not make him wear masks while playing sports he will not play for Dover
NHIAA is not responsible for individual children's health. That is the parents responsibility. They are welcome to make recommendations but parents ultimately make the decisions that are best for their child's health.
No masks for sports of any kind including chores and band and the like
No more masks
Outside (and probably indoor also) sports has shown 0 transmission ; share the DATA if there is risk
Pre pandemic rules
Return to normal
Return to normal pre-pandemic rules.
Return to pre pandemic athletics. Kids are participating in camps and athletics all summer.
Return to pre-pandemic rules regardless.
Sports have been shown yo be the cause of outbreaks -teams should follow same guidelines as in class learning
The plan is not specific and seemingly gears to families who can afford sports. Recess and eating no, but sports for better off families acceptable? How about funded sports instead?
This age group has had the opportunity to be vaccinated and should be able to go back to prep
Covid
This is also rediculous.
Turn down the VERY loud and community disruptive announcement speakers (please and thank you)
Yes, but athletics should follow the same guidelines as any other indoor activities, including masking and distance.
You should return to normal pre-pandemic rules right away.
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#8 Open Response
Absolutely ridiculous.
Again-sports have be shown yo be the origins of outbreaks -education needs to be priority-sports must follow same guidelines as school
Again, enough with the masks for the lowest risk groups. Anyone over 18 in attendance will need to self-police their own masking.
Again, masks are ineffective
Agree with all except masks. No masks needed.
All local stores and restaurants do not follow this plan. Why should the school be different.
Allow all activities for all kids. Let everyone come. Make anyone unvaccinated wear a mask and the those with a vaccine get be mask free.
allow all withno masks if vaccinated what are you worried about
As with most businesses masks are not required if fully vaccinated, same should apply
At the monument masked and unmasked people are together at events, stores, gathering etc based on if they are vaccinated or not. I think that should also be the policy for school gatherings.
Athletes and performers should not wear masks. All vaccinated adults should not be mandated to wear masks at events.
But I do not believe that masks should be required for spectators of outdoor sports, as the transmission rate outside is very low. Also, the "masks" used for playing instruments do not make much sense to me.
Cdc isn't recommending large gatherings due to the variant
Children are the least affected by covid and those who want to be vaccinated are- no mask mandate!
Do not think that masks should be required.
Don't manage spectators. Opt for outdoors or large indoor venues. Manage spaces and venues.
Eliminate mask requirement. Have it be optional.
Enough with the masks
Events bear special care and continued distancing and should be held outdoors when possible. An administrator or teacher will need to be appointed to enforce PROPER mask wearing of ALL participants.
Everyone who is eligible to get the vaccine has had the opportunity to do so. Maddison Square Garden in New York has held sold out indoor concerts hosting tens of thousands of people of all ages. Not everyone was vaccinated at these events. No negative result has occurred to this.
Everywhere we go now it is recommended that non vaccinated people wear masks, vaccinated people do not need them. If someone wishes to continue wearing a mask that is there right to do so.
Follow CDC as far as large gatherings indoors.
Get rid of the mask mandate
GO BACK TO NORMAL
Herd immunity is already in existance; all high risk and adults have gotten (or had oportunity to get vaccine. NO transmission from those vaccinated
How about aligning with CDC guidance???
How do athletes maintain a 6ft distance while not wearing a mask? Are they obligated to wear masks?
How will masks be enforced? Some people are very hostile about masks and it should not be up to school employees or community members helping with athletics to police this.
I don't think masks should be required for vaccinated individuals.
I feel mask wearing should be personal decision at this point in time.
I have been vaccinated. The CDC says I no longer need to wear a mask while indoors. There is no reason why the school should not follow these guidelines, especially considering they are following CDC guidelines in other scenarios.
I think all events outside of school time should be held outdoors for the coming year at least until the 3-11 age group is able to be vaccinated.
I think in the same way that we have to trust people in the grocery store we need to trust people in attendance are making the right decision by masking if they're not vaccinated and masking the appropriately age children not punish the athletes by making them wear a mask when they followed all the protocol and are at less risk than the unvaccinated people that may or may not be attending
I think masks should be by choice
I'd like to see no mask mandates
If a person is fully vaccinated they should not have to wear a mask
If a person says they are vaccinated, then allow them not to wear the mask. However due to privacy laws a school district and even my own company or any business I walk into, does not ask me to show proof. Based on the numbers for NH, the number of vaccines that have been given, our state is at the level it wanted to be at to reduce transmission.
If it takes mask wearing to have indoor events I guess, but I would like to see vaccinated adults be able to not wear masks inside with proof. I don't see why people who are vaccinated wouldn't be ok showing proof.
If my kids have to wear masks all day and follow all other cdc requirements then large gatherings shouldn't be allowed
If people are vaccinated , masks should be a choice
If people are vaccinated then you shouldn't have to wear a masks. The same goes for teachers in their classrooms. We shouldn't have to wear masks if we are vaccinated. It makes it very difficult to speak, hear and ultimately teach.
If we all plan to be vaccinated, we don't need masks
if we can go to gillette stadium without a mask and can go to a dover event. stop overreaching
If you are fully vaccinated, wearing a mask should be a personal option.
If you are vaccinated you should not need a mask regardless of indoor or outdoor activity or the age group you are around.
Individuals should be able to choose whether or not they wish to wear a mask. We have the freedom to assume our own risks.
Just like restaurants and stores, vaccinated people should not have to wear masks.
Large gatherings aren't ideal. I agree with masks.
Large group gathering can take place, but we have to keep kids 3 feet apart in classrooms? How does that make sense?
Mask mandate by federal and state authorities should be followed. Which is only a "recommendation" that those who are not vaccinated wear a mask. We have rights and it is a personal decision. Not this crazy board's decision to be so controlling. The private schools will be fully opened as normal and so should the public.
Mask mandates were lifted in NH and it is ridiculous that Dover continues to enforce mask restrictions and refuse access to indoor facilities
Mask should not be required
Mask shouldn't be mandatory
Masks are not necessary in other indoor settings, why school events?
Masks are not required for non school large events and should not be required.

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Masks optional
Masks optional for spectators
Masks should be optional at the discretion of the individual or family.
Masks should be optional, not required
Masks should be personal choice, but encouraged for those who aren't vaccinated.
Masks should not be required at this time.
Masks should not be required for vaccinated attendees.
Masks should not be required.
Multiple studies done (before this "pandemic") have shown that grandmas homemade mask does nothing to stop transmission.
No indoor mask requirement
No mask requirement
No mask requirement
No masks
No masks
No masks are not necessary.
No masks for anyone.
No masks indoors or outdoors.
No masks no vaccines
no masks required
No masks should be required.
No masks, return to normal!
No masks!
No masks! Especially if uts an outdoor event.
No masks.
No masks.
No masks. It's over. Move on. Life resumes.
No masks. Mask mandate has ended, so the schools need to stop this rediculous need to force people to wear masks!
No masks. Not necessary
No masks. Open back up. You let spectators show up without masks outside but still made our kids?? No. Open the schools.
No more mask mandates
No more masks
No more masks
no more masks inside
No more masks, unless those individuals feel that they want to wear them.
No more masks.
no need for masks anymore
NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS. You cannot force anyone to wear a mask outside of the school
Once again let them go back normally. Concerts and stadiums are full of different ages with no mask. So does my child have to wear one inside.
Optional masks. You don't have to wear them in a store or anywhere in NH if vaccinated.
Outdoors is considerably safer than indoors
Participants should also follow masking and distancing
Performers should not have to wear masks.
Prefer that masks are required only for unvaccinated
Remove mask mandate
Remove mask mandate.
Remove masks for performers/athletes
Return to normal activities
Return to normal pre-pandemic rules.
See above
So if it is high school chorus, the chorus will not have to wear masks, but all attendees will? That makes no sense. As an adult who is vaccinated, I don't want to wear a mask if the performers (my high school child who is vaccinated) are not required to.
Spectactors should not be require to wear masks. Nor should athletes and performers
Spectators should not be made to wear masks. The likelihood of a vaccinated person transmitting covid is extremely small. If high schoolers can have sports without masks, attendees should follow the same guidelines
Spectators should not need to wear masks, especially for outdoor sports. Indoor sports where social distancing can happen they should not have to wear them. Larger indoor sports yes. Maybe start with limited capacity that allows the distancing without masks.
Spectators who have been vaccinated shouldn't be forced to continue wearing masks. If parents feel their children are safer wearing a mask, let them choose to wear one.
Students and parents who are vaccinated should be excepted if the other aspects of this plan are adopted, as is laid out in point 3.
The CDC has completely changed its mask guidelines. Let kids go mask free.
The children have not needed to wear any masks while playing outside sports over the past three months why should that change with the start of school?
The majority of middle and high school students are or will be vaccinated.
The only thing I would suggest is that masks are not required for those that are vaccinated.
The outdoor mask mandate is lifted, that should reflect here as well.
The state has lifted the mask mandate!
There is no need for vaccinated people to wear masks. Crowded events are unmasked throughout the state.
This practice was not implemented last Friday at the 101 Dalmatians Jr performance in the DHS auditorium. Barely anyone in the audience wore masks.
Turn down the VERY loud and community disruptive announcement speakers (please and thank you)
Vaccinated individuals should not have to wear a mask and kids should be allowed to play sports without them as they have this spring
Vaccinated individuals should not have to wear masks.
Vaccinated people should not have to wear masks.
VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS
Vaccines are widely available. If you are afraid of Covid don't attend these events. Masks should be optional. I am vaccinated and it is pointless for me to wear a mask unless I have symptoms and if I have symptoms I will stay home.
We aren't doing all summer or on the weekends just go back to normal
We've sort of moved beyond masks at this point. The people that wear masks are limited, except in medical facilities. The problem will be that people attending these events will be used to being maskless, which then means mask-police, which isn't fun and detracts from the experience.
Why would vaccinated visitors require masking?
Would like to see mask go away all together as many of the country has done. But support all things being allowed.

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#9 Open Response

Absolutely not necessary and an invasion of privacy.
Again if we're talking at the high school level we should have some level of trust in that the visitors who are at risk should be masked and the rest of us who are vaccinated should not have to be
Again, those who are vaccinated should not have to wear a mask. I am at least happy to hear that I'll be able to go into my childs' school this year. Parents need to be inside the building, participating in the learning experience.
Allow masks to be optional.
Allow people to provide their vaccination card - if no proof, then require a mask
Almost all stores and even most restaurants in Dover are not requiring screenings to enter. I feel like we should fall in line with that.
As with most businesses, people should be allowed to enter massless if they have been vaccinated.
Ask to see the vaccination card if they're vaccinated they do not need to wear a mask.

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Being allowed into a building I help pay for shouldn't be contingent with wearing something or proving my personal medical history seeing both haven't stopped transmission. Did we do this with the HIV "pandemic" or the H1N1 "pandemic"?

Could we be required to show either the vaccine card or picture of the card with a form of ID to prove we are vaccinated and therefore would not have to wear masks?

Enough already

Every other school large and small in NH does not require spectators or visitors to wear masks. Stadiums are full and Dover continues to enforce unrealistic standards

Everyone knows the questions by now.

Follow same rules as shopping plazas & restaurants

For high school, vaccinated visitors should not have to wear a mask. Perhaps you can keep a list at the door of visitors and once they show proof of vaccination status you can keep them on the list, kind of like fingerprinting.

Get rid of masks

Going off of known percentages of people vaccinated in the state, and the practices that are happening everywhere else (e.g., in stores), this seems unnecessary.

Have visitors show vaccination cards.

How is pre-screening effective?

However, if you're vaccinated, no mask.

I believe with proof of vaccination visitors and guests should be able to go without mask.

I don't think visitors should be allowed indoors because as the questionnaire indicates, the District has no ability to know who is vaccinated.

I don't want the children masked in school and I certainly don't want them seeing random adults masked in their hallways. Un-vaccinated people exist and there are millions of them, to maintain these mandates puts us on a dangerous path.

I have no problem if you ask for proof of vaccination.....if vaccinated masks shouldn't be required

I like this, but I think if they can show vaccination card then no mask.

I realize that the district cannot technically record who is and is not vaccinated, but those of us who are vaccinated (and likely some who are not) have been walking around in grocery stores and other places for a month now with continued very low transmission of the virus. Requiring masks for everyone creates an environment of mistrust; just ask people to be honest and don't police everyone just because some people might not be.

I think it is fine to ask to fill out a questionnaire so if there is an out break they can be informed. That is just good communication. If a person says they are vaccinated, then allow them not to wear the mask. However due to privacy laws a school district and even my own company or any business I walk into, does not ask me to show proof. Based on the numbers for NH, the number of vaccines that have been given, our state is at the level it wanted to be at to reduce transmission.

I would recommend including a clause for a voluntary disclosure of vaccination status which would be documented by the district and would permit the visitor to go unmasked within buildings.

I'm fine showing proof of my vaccine status.

If asked at the door if vaccinated, fine to ask the questions but should not be made to wear a mask if vaccinated

If inside yes wear a mask, outside no or optional

If proof of vaccination is provided I feel masks should not be required. Especially outside.

If the person shows a vaccination card they should be allowed to not wear a mask. It's simple to take a photo of the card and put it in your favorites or carry it in your wallet.

If you are vaccinated, you are protected. If you are not vaccinated, you have the choice to wear a mask or take the risk.

It's none of anyone's business! No questions. Many cannot be vaccinated due to medical reasons, many already have antibodies. You have no right and overstepping

It's frustrating to lump DMS with elementary level. Many DMS students have had the opportunity of being vaccinated. Time to get back to pre covid routines. The rest of the country is. Even neighboring towns have done away with mask wearing in schools.

It's over

Just do a screening, check temp and allow them in. You could recommend that non vaccinated people wear them but those of us that are vaccinated should not need to.

Let it be up to the individual. No need to monitor.

Mandate vaccines

Masks should be a choice because the vaccine is equivalent to a seatbelt. It protects the person that chooses to wear it and has no affect on those that don't. It's an asinine position to force unvaccinated people to wear masks if anyone is still capable of getting or spreading the virus.

Masks should be optional. Vaccines are widely available. In the VERY least you should allow people to voluntarily state they are vaccinated and then not require a mask.

Masks should not be required.

Masks should only be required if unvaccinated.

no mask mandate

No mask mandate in NH, optional masks, recommended for unvaccinated

No mask requirement!

No mask requirements for visitors. Skip the prescreening questions.

No mask.

No mask. No vaccines.

No masks

No masks are not necessary.

no masks if not wanted

No masks needed.

NO MASKS, NO COVID VACCINE MANDATE FOR CHILDREN. HOW MANY HAVE TO DIE OR BECOME SICK FROM THE NON APPROVED COVID VACCINE FOR YOU ALL TO STOP YOUR NONSENSE.

No masks. No questionnaire. Only normalcy.

No more mask mandate. No more restrictions. We need to get the children back to their normal school classrooms and activities.

No more mask mandates

No more masks

NO MOTE MASKS PERIOD ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

No questionnaire, no masks, return to normal!

No questionnaires-- all visitors wear masks

No requirement for masks

No restrictions

NO SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKS. I will not wear one at the school since not only am I fully vaccinated, but per the state masks are not required for anyone inside or outside regardless of vaccination status.

no wear else is asking for masks why would dover? stop

None of your business in a free society.

Not answering anything if I'm feeling unwell will not go.

Not required

not your business if get vaccines and which ones.

Omit mask if willing to show vaccine proof

Only visitors that are not vaccinated should wear masks indoors but not outdoors. "On school grounds" sounds like you will make visitors wear masks outdoors even though it is stated that the district will follow most recent guidelines for outdoor events.

Open up school.

Optional disclosure of vaccination status for relief from mask wearing requirement.

Parents of students that have been vaccinated should let the school know. These students should be able to forgo this process. There should be a way to automate this process based on availability knowledge of student vaccination status.

Personal option if you are fully vaccinated.

Prescreen yes, masks no.

Proof of vaccination should allow guests to not be masked in the school. If a guest is unable to provide a vaccination card then they must wear a mask. Vaccinated substitute teachers should not have to wear a mask.

Proof of vaccinations no.mask required

Remove mask mandate

Remove mask mandate.

Return to normal activities

School should know who is and is not vaccinated - and those not vaccinated should be required to do the prescreening.

see above question 2

See answer to question 9

See previous answers. It's not necessary. They aren't that effective and the numbers are extremely low.

Stop interrogating the kids. Asking them questions. Let them go in with a smile.

Stop the prescreening. No masks should be required.

Support questionnaire for visitors with admission denied for fever,symptoms, etc but no mandatory mask wearing.

The mask mandate state wide and in many other states has been lifted completely. Let those who choose to wear a mask wear a mask. Let those who do not be free to make that choice.

The prescreening is tedious and unnecessary. People will do what they will do.

There should be an option for adults who are fully vaccinated to show proof in order to be unmasked. If people don't want to show proof they can wear a mask.

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This process is invasive and goes against HIPPA laws
Those who say they have been vaccinated should not need masks
Trust people to be honest like the stores do.
VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS
Visitors should continue to be limited to only necessary reasons, in addition to following the above mentioned procedures.
Visitors that come to our schools come for a reason. I believe that if they are here they are vaccinated. Why would visitors want to expose themselves to unvaccinated children. They could do the pre screening questionnaire but shouldn't have to wear a mask. Just like teachers, if your vaccinated don't wear a mask.
We need to make sure we can get visitors back in the building.
Yes ask questions, no to mask.
Yes! Mask wearing and distancing must be continued!
You don't do this during the flu season.
you have no authority to ask questions and it is a waste of time
You have no right to ask me my medical history.

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#10 Open Response

I think it is imperative to try and provide students with the same extracurricular activities and opportunities to have social experiences within appropriate guidelines. As vaccination numbers are good in our state, I think limiting masks whenever possible is my preference. I do understand that because there is no way to know who is vaccinated, that this poses a bit of an issue, and therefore I have indicated support for the district's current plan. I would ask that this be monitored and adjusted according to guidelines.
A return to a normal school year is what should be done. Most people are vaccinated and the younger students aren't super spreaders. At some point you need to stop with the nonsense and next school year is a great time for it.
As a parent of a child with medical issues, please consider the remote option for all; especially with vaccines unavailable to the lower age group.
At the elementary level - will vaccinated teachers and staff need to wear masks or just the children and visitors?
back to normal. stop over thinking this.
Do not infringe on our rights!
Dover has been one of the strictest cities in this state when it comes to the school system and covid. One could applaud it if not for the fact that you mismanaged community relations and finances so badly that we received millions of dollars in government aid and still had to cut teachers salaries and do layoffs. All while private schools used local situations and common sense and had a successful year. We now find ourselves in a spot where tax dollars can be diverted from the public schools in favor of those private schools. The letter you just sent felt like the city telling thousands of Dover residents that you don't listen and don't care about us and are pushing us into private schools. We want to stay in the public system but these mandates have become too far-reaching. If they aren't rescinded after your July 12th meeting there will be a large exodus into the surrounding private schools. This would be terrible for the future of the city.
Even Massachusetts has gone to no masking or mandating vaccines in schools. Stop this nonsense now. If people want to get the vaccine or wear masks it's their right as it is mine to do as I see fit for my children. The executive orders are lifted. You are opening the city to lawsuits if children become sick from masks or a non tested vaccine. Personally, my taxes are high enough.
families should absolutely have to share their child's vaccination status on their beginning of the year paperwork. it is a pandemic. this is vital, useful information that is actually accurate and truthful unlike the casual screener.
For ages 12 and up, require proof of vaccination for all students and teachers (just like is required for some other vaccines) and then require all who are not vaccinated to wear a mask at all times except lunch--when then should be socially distant just to eat.
Get more teacher feedback.
Getting back to normal is essential for our children at this time. With the most at risk population vaccinated we need to resume normalcy for these children
Having to also monitor social distancing, cleaning, proper mask wearing is yet ANOTHER responsibility teachers are expected to do. More and more gets piled on without anything being taken off.
I am concerned that my student's teacher may not be vaccinated and could contract covid and then my student has to switch to remote learning. Parents should be given the option to say they want their student in a class with a teacher who is vaccinated.
I am so thankful for everyone in the Dover school district. You all have truly done amazing things for our children throughout this pandemic.
I appreciate the thoughtfulness of the plan. Ignore the rage beasts who insult you.
i beg you to look at other districts and see their results of loosening the mask mandates. the proof is there look at PCA alone down the street! please reconsider this .
I believe community spread still should be monitored. If this is low I would like to see students to be able to return to school in a pre pandemic way (no masks, lunch in cafeterias, indoor events to resume, etc).
I believe Dover is over reacting. Kids should just be allowed to go to school as normal.
I do think the variants need to be monitored and masks should be mandated during flu season due similar to what neighboring schools are doing
I don't support social distancing of any sort, since it is no longer recommended or necessary. I also don't support masks being being "required" at the school. I want my children to have a normal school experience and will pull them from the district if masks and social distancing are still being required at Garrison this fall. It is no longer recommended per the State of New Hampshire, so it should not be "required" at the schools. Everyone (even those that are more at risk/immunocompromised that you are so concerned with in the reopening plan) has had ample time to be vaccinated. It has been scientifically proven that young children do not easily pass covid/are not as affected by it, so there is no reason to punish these children with masks simply because of their age. If vaccines are cleared for this age group, I still won't be vaccinating my child so there is no difference. These ridiculous regulations need to go away. Everyone is free to do as they wish all summer, why would we go back to wearing masks again in the fall?
I feel if the schools follow official guidance and common sense practices there will be more buy in from community. It is very reasonable to ask people to wear a mask in the buildings, especially in larger gatherings. Parents want to watch their students participate in their activities and kids want to participate. However we can keep things going in the safest and most consistent way is best for all. If we have to have a color coded level system that depending on community transmission we switch levels that is ok. Just being clear and focused on the common goal of keeping our kids in school safely hopefully most people will be able to adjust according to the latest data.
I feel like this is a mute point because the pandemic, even in your eyes will be over by the time school goes back...I will lose my mind if masks are still required in Dover schools. Again, 98% of kids went maskless the second they left school and will be all summer. Follow the data.
i have been in manufacturing for 30 years , masks do not stop water vapor (which carries virusus) masks only stop dust, such as grinding dust and even that to some extent gets thru most masks that are being used
I hope the board actually listens to these surveys unlike all the other surveys that went ignored in the past. The parents of Dover are asking for a normal school environment without masks and distancing for our children. If not it will be on your hands the next time a student is so depressed he/she tries something awful.
I know this may not be an overly popular stance, but masking for students at school was such a positive for my family. The amount of our usual general fall and winter sickness we missed was very noticeable. No strep, no stomach bugs, no terrible colds, no flu. I would totally support masking for late fall and winter going forward for this reason alone.
I remember back in 2019 a survey being given to students, parents and faculty. By a wide margin (60-75%), ALL of these groups wanted in-person studies to occur. This board completely ignored this and went their own way. With this in mind, I doubt you'll listen now. As of June 29th, per NH DHHS website, there has been ZERO deaths within the age groups of 0 to 19. This is without a "vaccine". These same children have been travelling into major brick and mortar stores with adults. Children have caught this but have gotten over it, much like many other viruses. As of June 29th, per NH DHHS website, 0.8% test positive (when tested; remember some that have this do not go for tests thinking it's a cold) and 160 TOTAL NH cases. This is out of a population number of 1,359,711 per NHES website. That means that 0.00011767% of the population currently have this virus that we know of. Are we really going to cause further damage to children over a statistical zero percent? Based on your own numbers provided, there was a 68.8% increase (155 to 225) of homeschooled children from 2019-2020 school year to this past school year. If this school board keeps up the facade that all these mandates, guidelines and "vaccines" work and keeps them, my son WILL join the 225 children in Dover's school district that are homeschooled. Which we all know means less money to help pay for a cornucopia of things for the school district. I cannot sit idly by while this group decides to further the physical, emotional, and mental damage done to my son with these unnecessary "guidelines". Godspeed to the children and parents that have no other choice than to deal with this.
I think parents should be informed before any mask changes are made and asked what is desired for their children. When the outdoor mask mandate was dropped at the end of the regular school year, we were informed but parents did not have to sign anything other than informally emailing the teacher what our wishes were, which was to have our child stay masked outdoors. Please do not drop the indoor mask mandate for students and staff at the elementary level until a vaccine is available for this age group and there is a fair/reasonable amount of time given for children to be fully vaccinated.
I think schools have navigated this pandemic amazingly! Teachers and staff have taken the hits and implemented measures needed to protect students and staff. It's time to start going back to normal now that we have trending downward data, and reassess based on our community as needed.
I will take my child out of public school if he is required to wear a mask
I would like the school and school related activities to go back to pre-Covid situations.
Those adults that felt they needed to have the Covid vaccine, have had the opportunity.
I do not think their needs to be a mask mandate. That mandate had been lifted by the CDC. (If someone feels that they want/need to wear a mask at this point, it should be their choice. It should not be forced on anyone). Look at the statistics.
We need to stop with all of the mandates. And get our children back to school and back to their activities. So they can get their lives back.
The harm that all of this Covid related restrictions have already caused is irreversible. They have lost an entire year of school because of this.
I would like to see them back in their normal classrooms. Their normal activities. No more masks. No more restrictions.
I'm not sure if I mentioned this but "No more masks" they are unclear and disgusting. Also stop sending every student home that has a brother or sister that skipped school because of a legitimate excuse, seasonal allergies, headache from being dehydrated because they didn't drink enough water during the athletic competition they were in the night before, or a pre-teen girl wrestling with her body changing but being forced to take a COVID test because she wasn't up for going to school (do I need to spell it out).
I'm 100% against these children wearing masks in school this fall, they are not learning and they are distracted.
I'm fully on board with proof of vaccines or requiring.
If the state and every single state in NE was still following the guidelines you set forth then I would agree with you. But there is no place except Canada that is this restricted. As if 6/29, over 67% of eligible NH residents have been vaccinated. Strafford County and Dover especially have high rates. No one has these restrictions. These are guidelines. Vaccine the teachers. This was their reason NOT to teach in person. They have no reason now. Provide ADA accommodations for them like every other employer which is they wear a mask or have them teach remotely for remote learners. Please do not put the plan in place to punish the kids and families that got a vaccine. No one but a handful of families are abiding by any measures. This plan is not doing anything but making families very very angry and upset.
If the vaccinated students does not feel well, can the school nurse administer the quick COVID test so the student can resume school activities without having to leave the campus. There is a benefit to being vaccinated and this should be another benefit to vaccinated students and their families.
If we apply the power of our own observation, we can quickly see just how ridiculous it is for our children, who have no voice, to carry so much of the burden related to Covid. If we attempted to place these restrictions on adults it would never be tolerated.
If we have masks, I am concerned about the heat in the fall in the classrooms. It was 91-93 degrees in the classrooms, with masks on. 8 students per classroom per day were sent home due to heat related sickness. I would like you to consider heat remote days to allow students to be at home with their masks off.

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If you have proof of vac no mask should be required.

In an effort to cover a lot of situations and attempting to be thorough, this questionnaire has contradictory approaches.

Keep it simple. 1. No questionnaires. 2. Visitors and spectators always wear masks indoors. 3. No management of outdoor activities. 4. Establish and encourage individual choice to wear a mask and to be vaccinated, but do not require or ask.

In general I think this document is much too restrictive. Too many circumstances (masks, distancing) are dependent upon whether 9-11 year olds are able to be vaccinated; even if they are by the fall, there are likely to be many parents who are hesitant to vaccinate their children- even in some cases if they themselves are vaccinated. It's probable that a pretty large proportion of these kids will not be. The kids have already lost an entire 1.5 years of normalcy, which is a significant proportion of their young lives. As long as cases are not skyrocketing, please consider giving these kids back their childhoods- without masks and keeping them apart- and create a more relaxed, friendly environment for them.

It is clear that we have a severe lack in leadership in this community. None of the solutions that you've proposed are acceptable.

If the end of June, look around I see most everybody back to normal. Seeing somebody wearing a mask now is rare.

It's over. Stop trying so hard to have a detailed plan because it's unnecessary and ineffective. Just teach school. That's it. Thanks.

It's time for the school board to be the union for the best interest of the students and not get bullied by teachers and their union that live in fear. Do your jobs!

Just return to normal and let kids be kids!

Keeping classrooms together at recess worked well at home street. Would like it to remain

Kids do better with more outside time - I think that the increased recess time helps and outdoor classes when practical

Kindergarten classrooms need to have aides to help support students and make sure social distancing is implemented

Let the kids have a normal, unmasked school year. Masks should be optional. Kids have suffered enough. My boys were looking forward to returning to school, but if this is going to continue the way it has for the past year, they will not be returning.

Not all children will be vaccinated, so depending on that criteria to unmask the children will not work. Singling children out for not being vaccinated is wrong and will divide them.

Limiting exposure of elementary school kids to others without masks is my primary concern. I don't want my kids eating lunch in a room with a lot of other students and poor air flow. I would rather they eat outside or stay in their classroom and distanced 6 feet. Virtual learning should be an option for all who don't feel comfortable with in person. Kids should be required to stay home when sick or exposed, and transitioning to doing their work virtually is a great idea.

Lower class able to park on campus. This is a huge burden on parents who are not comfortable with the bus.

Masking for the lower age group is a must in the fall.

Mo masks! Go back to normal. :)

NH has lifted the mask mandate. It is time to realize that most people (including all ages of kids) are socializing and at camps without masks. The schools need to go back to business as usual and address concerns as they arise. No mask or social distancing requirements.

No masks for students no distancing

Open up school. No restrictions. I'm sure I'm not the only person responding like this; please listen to us this time. Please do not let Amanda just talk and decide things; we voted the rest of you in, DO YOUR JOB.

Over age 12 and they have refused the vaccine...that's their choice...Darwinism.

Parents should be let back into the school buildings for open houses, conferences, and to volunteer this fall. Using COVID as an excuse to keep parents away for longer than necessary is not acceptable.

people who have been vaccinated should show documentations so they don't have to wear a mask

Perhaps develop a mobile app that will collect the vaccination information would be adequate and time-saving. Plus, this will allow for better planning and accommodations.

Please bring back kindergarten paras

Please consider continuing an online option. For many children, this was a huge benefit to them.

Please consider lifting the mask mandate for PK-8. Families that feel at risk should still be allowed to have their child wear a mask. Many parents may not have their very young child vaccinated with a brand new vaccine even if the opportunity comes. Families who are surrounded by adults who are vaccinated should have the option to not have their child wear a mask while at school. Thank you!

Please consider removing the mask mandate and allow parents to make choices that are best for their families.

Please consider the fact that the district last year excluded all household contacts/siblings of a student who had any symptoms on the screener, even if the siblings were completely asymptomatic. This did NOT follow the CDC and state guidelines and was extremely disruptive to many students and families. Students with NO symptoms had to be pulled from their classes and sent home any time a sibling was sent home from school with any type of symptom on the screener. This went above any beyond state and cdc guidance and it was unclear what this policy was based on. The transmission of covid in school was so low that this policy was unnecessary and added huge amounts of stress to students and families. Excluding symptomatic students makes sense. Excluding asymptomatic students just because they live with someone who has a symptom does not make sense and no professional guidance recommended this.

Also regarding symptoms, the cdc and state recommend that a symptomatic person does not need to isolate once they have a negative covid test and symptoms are "improving." The district policy required students to quarantine until they have a negative covid test and symptoms have "completely resolved." This is unrealistic and increased the amount of time students had to quarantine just because they continued to have a slight sniffle or cough (which can linger for weeks in kids even though they feel well and could absolutely participate in school). Please consider adopting the guidelines provided by the cdc and state and allow the students to return to school once they have a negative covid test and symptoms are improving. This was another policy that was very unclear what it was based on considering it did not follow state and cdc guidelines.

Basically, please follow the state and cdc guidelines and don't make up your own rules.

Please consider the infection rate for children under 11 in the state of NH when making these protocols. Also please consider parent feedback. What will change once a vaccine is available for this age group? You still will not know who is vaccinated and who is not.

Please do not make remote learning an option for regular students!

Please look at how the many states have lifted COVID restrictions and there are no negative impacts to doing so. Baseball stadiums, indoor concert and sporting events have been allowed to operate at full capacity. Schools across the country have no COVID restrictions. Everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated have had the opportunity. Who are you protecting by continuing to restrict students from returning to normal life?

Please please please do not make our babies wear masks. Vaccine is for adults. Never in the history of our country have we ever taken the flu seriously. Which is way way worse and can kill a child. My daughter with the flu shot still got influenza from school. Point is doesn't matter if you have a vaccine. You will still get sick. This vaccine for Covid prevents you from getting the harsh systems not make you immune to it.

See comments throughout. Our district is focused on equity but has not made choices that follow that ideal during the pandemic.

Strong consideration should be given to current case numbers. If they remain low, things should go back to as normal as possible, especially when CDC req's allow.

Students and parents alike need more clarity on the points in this plan, it is not clear to me what the rules will be regarding masks, and that should be fixed immediately.

Teachers who are vaccinated should not be required to wear masks this school year. It should be optional. Unless you are not vaccinated, then it should be required.

Teachers who are vaccinated shouldn't have to wear a mask. If the district needs clarification on vaccination records then require it for all teachers, visitors and students. Isn't it required for entry to school during new student intakes?

Thank you for all the attention and hard work being put into making the next school year safe and accessible!

The district should maintain mandatory masks for the youngest students until at least eight weeks after vaccines become available for that age group. This would give families a small but hopefully reasonable amount of time to complete the full vaccination schedule before the mask mandate is lifted. On a more general note, this survey was a great idea! I hope it garners a wider and more representative range of feedback than you might receive via email or podium communication.

The Dover school board has been way too cautious and behind the science and other districts which has impacted the kids and caused a lot of the community to lose respect for the district and school board. This is despite school leaders recommending going back to in person before it happened. I would ask that they keep the kids in mind first and foremost. Not just academically but their mental health and social needs. With the risk to kids so low in terms of serious illness, those needs should be prioritized. I would also ask that they make decisions sooner than later as again, the slow pace and wishy-washiness of the school board has been a huge issue for many families. If the science says no masks, please just go with that. If parents want their kids to wear masks they can have them wear masks even without a requirement.

The Dover School District is overstepping their boundaries of authority. The school environment has become one of distrust and suspicion. It is not a place where I feel my children are safe.

Further, the Dover School District is riddled with uncertainty, undue stress, and anxiety, all of which our young children are exposed to daily.

The Dover School District should spend less time on trying to dictate the actions of parents and children and more time on providing sound academics.

The school has had over a year to document remote learning procedures. Not just for a select few, but also to guard against any unexpected closures or student quarantine needs.

It is incredibly discouraging and disheartening to see how thoroughly unprepared this district is. It is one of the main reasons why parents like myself will maintain close watch on their child's academic learning and filter out the unnecessary fear-mongering.

The last school year was really tough emotionally on children. They need to have normal back and so far their summer looks normal. The school year should as well.

The pandemic is basically over in NH. No masks, no distancing, let the kids have a normal year.

The rates on all metrics for children is extremely low and does not warrant the need for social distancing or masking or segregation during lunch or recess. Let our children be free children.

The school should not force masks or intrusive policies on families. Everyone has an option to wear a mask if they feel more comfortable.

There are a large majority of people vaccinated. Families need to choose what is right for their family. Children should be back in school and no masks. There will always be germs in life and in the world and we need to stop living in fear.

There has been a lot of lost trust with the board, leadership and teachers. Trust matters and there needs to be more weight on what the parents/children are asking for. We are the customers and the service that has been provided has not been good. Start to consider having different people get involved who are not educators to solve these issues. You need better tactical people maybe from a business sector to make plans and execute. You need project managers and implementation leaders to get things done. You will never please everyone so stop trying. Keep it simple (you are either in or remote). Stop trying to have all these versions and stick with a few and make them good. Then allow parents to make decisions. I'm fearful nothing will be done with the surveys. Also consider changing the medical board to new people with new views, ideas and ways of balancing out physical safety, emotional health and academic needs. This board only focused on physical and not about balance. Rochester is a school district that made it work as well as many other schools around us. We did not. Additionally, the experience families had with some teachers or schools was very inconsistent and is very concerning. As contracts for teachers are being talked about next year, the tenure aspects that everyone gets a raise based on years needs to be reformed. Pretty much every other industry is rewarded based on performance not time served. Therefore, there was a lack of support to give more money to the DTU. A principal or a peer should not be the only input to measure the success of a teacher. The customer should be. The customers voice should be gathered, and that measurement should have a larger weight on the performance of a teacher that drives an increase of pay. As a parent, I want to share the performance of that teacher on the things they should continue to do because it is great or areas of opportunities so they can grow. I want my child to weigh in as these kids are smart and they need to start to know how to share feedback in a positive or constructive way. This makes them better students and citizens in the future to know how to do this well. Not with anger but with love to say, "you are great," or "this is where you can grow". Especially with the diversity, inclusion and creating an environment of thinkers in our students, they need to give feedback. Teachers are to guide, share knowledge and allow kids to form their own opinions and not be ridiculed because it is not the teachers view. This is not to say teachers are bad it is to share that as parents we have no power or influence to make this district better with the service to which our taxes are used for when our hands are tied with models that need to evolve.

there is no reason to over complicate any of it. Dover school district has been disgustingly accommodating to ridiculous and outlandish requests for too long. Open the schools like normal and be done with it

There should be a plan in place to address the very real mental health concerns. There is no plan to address mental health concerns for students or teachers. This should be part of the any plan to re-open schools? There have been a number of suicides in recent years. There needs to be a highly developed plan to address mental health concerns. Mental health is a silent killer that needs to be addressed.

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These kids have been dealing with this ridiculous COVID protocols for 2 years. Masks. Forced to be distanced from friends. In school. Out of school. No consistency. Enough is enough! There is no mask mandate. There is no stay at home order. Restaurants are open. Indoor dining. People are socializing. Vaccinated. Not wearing masks. Schools need to follow suit. No masks. No distancing. Nothing. 100% back to normal.

This is a fluid situation and I very much hope that the Dover district will remain flexible enough to pivot if needed. Better safe than sorry.

To take in account how early middle school has to be at school. When doing sports, practices and games are at night, plus homework, then having them wake up at 545am to get on the bus at 630 is really exhausted for the kids. Many times my child has expressed they were falling asleep in class. I think even just a half an hour later would help the kids. Just something to think about.

Transmission is low, those who want the vaccine have gotten it, get back to pre "pandemic" normal please!!!

Use local data to make recommendations. World numbers and even US Region data will be based on who is vaccinated. I am a vaccinated parent, and believe that those who want to be and are eligible will be vaccinated by September. The under 12 crowd may never be able to be vaccinated until they reach 12.

Vaccination of covid 19 should remain option for public schools

VACCINES ARE NO ONES BUSINESS - NO MORE SOCIAL DISTANCING NO MORE MASKS

Vaccines are widely available and taken, teachers have been vaccinated, children are at similar risks to the regular Flu. All mask wearing should be optional. If a parent is concerned they should not attend events and their child should have the option to do remote learning. 67% of adults in US have taken a vaccine, that number will be higher by the fall. Let the kids go back to normal. Thank you.

Very appreciative of the hard work the schools, teachers, and staff have put in over the last year+. Many of us understand the uncertainty presented by the evolving (e.g. Delta and Delta+) virus and the fact that the schools plans may need to change to adapt to the state of the pandemic, variants, and vaccination level of general population.

We need to return to normalcy for the sake of everyone. Let it be up to the individual if they wish to wear a mask, etc.

We should have a remote option for snow days. Nearly Every school in the seacoast vicinity no longer has snow days they need to make-up. This is an antiquated practice Dover needs to move away from to keep G/W days consistent and to keep the academic calendar intact. With all teachers required to have google classrooms, it would seem they could post work for students, monitor emails, and if available, offer a limited time for drop in office hours. Otherwise instruction would be asynchronous for the day.

Will masking at recess still be optional for elementary kids and staff? I didn't see this addressed above.

Woodman Park's model for this past school year was remarkable. You'd be wise to learn from and continue to incorporate their strategies. Patrick Boodey and Greg Brown, the administrators and educators are to be commended for their incredible work this past year and moving forward.

YOU HAVE NO SCIENTIFIC STUDIES TO SUPPORT YOUR SO CALLED PLAN. THE CDC HAS BEEN AN INCONSISTENT SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND CANNOT BE TRUSTED. STOP HURTING MY CHILDREN. I AM BEGINNING TO REALLY DISLIKE YOU PEOPLE AND WHAT YOU THINK YOUR DOING. IT IS NOT IN ANYONE'S BEST INTEREST, THAT IS FOR SURE. PARENTS ARE THE ONLY ONES TO MAKE THESE DECISIONS FOR THEIR CHILDREN NOT A BUNCH OF PANDERING TEACHERS UNION SCHOOL BOARD LACKEYS. CANT WAIT TO VOTE!

You have the toughest job trying to make sure you are keeping all of our students safe. Thank you for all you do!

You keep talking about the ones who' have gotten the shot, ok good people who wanted it have got it by now so make mask wearing an option like everyone else has. If the staff and students who want wear then fine or if they don't want to that's great. Remote learning should also be a choice.

You've already had staff and students get sick from the heat while wearing masks in the spring. The fall is usually even hotter, so what are you doing to keep them safe?

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