

Friday, July 24, 2020

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s):

This week, we made significant progress towards formulating our Fall Reopening Plans, informed by your feedback and ongoing advice from medical experts. We conducted an assessment of our HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) systems in all 10 schools. With the progress made, we are still on target to share our draft plans the week of August 2nd.

Next week, we will continue to work closely with our school committees, public safety officials, and building administrators and educators to make sure that all feasible measures are taken to ensure a safe return to school.

With this communication, I would like to solicit your help in the preparation process. Linked to this email is a document titled, "[Things You Can Do To Prepare for Returning to School](#)". This document highlights steps that families can take at home to prepare their child(ren) for coming to school. We recognize that this will be a stressful time, but your efforts now will help your child(ren) have a smooth transition back to school.

Another key precaution is practicing social distancing. This is challenging for all of us and especially for children. Our hope is that with some practice in August, they will be better prepared for the school experience.

Respectfully,

Gregory L. Martineau
Superintendent of Schools