Aug 18, 2021 Health & Wellness committee meeting

Present: Jodi May, Nina Baker, Dave Shafer, Dan Stadtmiller, Mark Schermerhorn, James Froio, RJ Hartwell, Vinny Smith, Brooke Bastian (virtual), Dennis Burlingame (arrived 5:45 pm).

County executive order says anyone working in schools have to prove vaccination or be tested weekly.

How do staff submit vaccination status? Submit a copy to the building secretary, who will submit it to the building nurse, which includes people who are not vaccinated. The building nursel will maintain the vaccinated and unvaccinated list who report said list to the principal. This is due by the end of the day on 9/2/21. The digital form is acceptable whether it shows expired or not.

RJ brought up the point that there may be an issue with privacy concerns if individuals give their vaccination status to multiple people or non-nurse individuals. The group decided the staff would give their vaccination status to the building secretary(ies) to then give to the nurse.

There is no COVID questionnaire for staff in the mornings.

Vinny will maintain the list of buildings and grounds listed above.

Mark Procopio will maintain the list of transportation staff.

Jim does not believe tests will be available by the first day of school. Dan suggests we might have enough for one week.

Jim will send this message to the faculty either 8/19 or 8/20.

PCR testing - Jim reported that testing kits have not been received but praised Dan's suggestion to use antigen tests we currently have on hand to test staff only.

Jodi May asked if temperature checks still needed to be done on a daily basis; Jim said it is not required but will still be practiced.

Jim brought up the point of morning arrival time and an extension of 10 minutes later for student arrival. Brooke said that would actually work better for her staff.

Jim asks the building principals how teachers are incorporating SEL within the instructional day on a classroom level and on a building level. For a building level, Jim believes we expand opportunities for students to go outside. This should be a topic of discussion for principals with their staff on opening staff days.

Dave recommends he will encourage staff to take kids outside for additional outside time during lunch. If it's a nice day, kids can go outside for lunch. Mark agrees and will invite teachers to eat with students to encourage SEL. Mark asks Vinny to install permanent bleachers behind the high school.

Jim recommends building principals to review the SEL sections of their handbooks.

Jim reports the temperature checking (morning), although not required by the CDC, turned into an opportunity for relationship building between adults and children. This activity in itself became an SEL activity. Jim would like staff to keep a visible presence with staff and kids.

Note for DAM: Coverage for morning temp checking

Round table discussion

Mark made comments about this experience working with Bonnie; could bus monitors cover classes. He's thinking of creative ways to cover classrooms.

Brooke remarked that Bonnie is a very welcomed addition to her own health and wellness and is thankful for the opportunity with her collaboration.