Welcome Back LPS Families,

The Lynn Public Schools wants to assure you that the health and safety of your child is our top priority. In order to provide a safe learning environment for the entire school community and prevent the spread of illness during the COVID-19 pandemic, the following guidelines will be in place:

**Daily Health Monitoring:** Parents/guardians will monitor their child daily for Covid-19 or illness symptoms. The student must stay home for symptoms. Parents/guardians will report symptoms or exposure to the school nurse who will provide further instructions and clearance to return to school. Staff will also self-monitor for symptoms or exposure and notify the school nurse before reporting to school. All visitors will be screened on arrival to any school building.

**Travel:** Unvaccinated individuals who travel out of state must remain home and notify the school nurse for further instructions.

**Masks:** All students, staff and visitors will be required to wear a cloth or surgical mask while indoors or on a bus. If an individual is unable to wear a mask, please send a medical note to the school nurse. Gaiters, bandanas, buffs, face shields alone or masks with valves are not allowed.

**Social Distancing:** There is no physical distancing requirement. Desks will be spaced 3 feet apart if possible. Students will have assigned seating and remain in cohorts if possible.

**Hand Hygiene:** Hand sanitizer will be located at the school entrance as well as in each classroom. Students and staff will use hand sanitizer or wash their hands on entry/exit; before eating; after touching face; after using the bathroom; and throughout the school day as needed. Staff will be provided with personal protective equipment as needed.

**Disinfection:** Custodial staff will disinfect high touch areas and classrooms at the end of each day and as needed throughout the school day.

**Notifications:** Families and staff will receive notification if their school has a reported COVID-19 case. Individuals identified as a close contact will receive a call from the local board of health or school nurse.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding! Lynn Public Schools is committed to evaluating, adjusting and communicating changes to you throughout the school year.

**RESOURCES:**

DESE Guidelines for COVID-19: [https://www.doe.mass.edu/covid19/on-desktop.html](https://www.doe.mass.edu/covid19/on-desktop.html)
Travel: [https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel)
Covid Testing Locations: [https://cityoflynn.net/covid19/testing.shtml](https://cityoflynn.net/covid19/testing.shtml)
Vaccination Sites: [http://www.lynnma.gov/covid19/vaccine.shtml](http://www.lynnma.gov/covid19/vaccine.shtml)