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Re: Open Schools Plan & BOE Meeting

Good morning Parents, Guardians and Staff,

I hope this email finds your family enjoying this final week of summer vacation 2021 and that you are eagerly preparing for the beginning of the 2021-22 school year.

On Monday, August 23, 2021, the Board of Education approved the 2021-22 Open Schools Plan, without a determination regarding face covering/mask wearing for students and staff. A copy of the approved plan, as well as my presentation, can be viewed at <https://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us/Page/5967>.

At that time, the Board of Education scheduled a meeting for tonight, August 25, 2021, to determine face covering/mask wearing protocols in anticipation of Governor Hochul's documentation. She indicated this would be provided to school districts once she was sworn into office yesterday. As of this writing, that documentation has not been issued by her office, or the NYSDOH.

Therefore, tonight's Board of Education meeting is postponed until the District has received the expected documentation and reviewed it with our legal counsel.

The Board of Education plans on meeting within the next several days to approve language to be included in the Open Schools Plan regarding face covering/mask wearing for students and staff. Notification of the meeting will be forwarded to the school community via a Connect Ed message. Please note, the message may be on short notice as time is of the essence for this school opening decision to be made.

Thank you in advance for your understanding, patience and anticipated cooperation as we finalize our plans to welcome students and staff back to school next week.

Dr. Marianne F. Cartisano
Superintendent of Schools