

Virtual Joint Workshop
Wednesday, August 5, 2020 - Remote via WebEx - 1:00 PM
*Tewksbury School Committee
School Reopening Task Force
TPS District Leadership Team*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Keth M. Sullivan, Chairperson
James A. Cutelis, Vice-Chairman
Shannon M. Demos, Clerk
John R. Stadtman, Member
Scott D. Wilson, Member

SCHOOL REOPENING TASK FORCE

Parents

Bridget Garabedian, Parent at Ryan and Wynn Schools
Monica Johnson, Parent at Dewing, Ryan, Wynn & Special Ed. Parent Rep.
Rich Russo, Parent at Wynn School and TMHS

School Department

James Cutelis, School Committee
Scott Wilson, School Committee
Chris Malone, Superintendent
Brenda Theriault-Regan, Assistant Superintendent
David Libby, Business Manager
Richard Pelletier, Director, Student Services
Karen Baker O'Brien, Director, Student and Family Services
Jon Marchand, Maintenance Foreman
Debralee Mugford, Director, Food Services
Felicia Cenanovic, Heath Brook School Principal
Alexis Bosworth, Dewing School Asst. Principal
Andy Long, Wynn MS Asst. Principal
Ronald Drouin, Athletic Director
Kelly Constantino, Lead Nurse
Luigi Gisetto, Custodians Union
Suzanne Caliendo, Secretaries Union
Joshua Bilodeau, Teachers Union (represents aides as well)
Julia Fabiano, Teachers Union
Sarah Gillotte, Teachers Union

Town of Tewksbury

Richard Montuori, Town Manager
Ryan Columbus, Police Chief
Mike Hazel, Fire Chief
Susan Sawyer, Public Health Director
Urvi Agarwalla, Town Nurse

District Leadership Team

Chris Malone, Superintendent
Brenda Theriault-Regan, Assistant Superintendent
Richard Pelletier, Director, Student Services
Lynn Noyes, Assistant Director of Special Education
Jason Stamp, Director of IT and STEM
Karen Baker O'Brien, Director of Student and Family Svc.
David Libby, Business Manager
Jon Bernard, Principal, TMHS
Sean O'Leary, Assistant Principal, TMHS
Eileen Osborne, Assistant Principal, TMHS

JOINT WORKSHOP

Superintendent Chris Malone and Assistant Superintendent Brenda Theriault-Regan presented the School Reopening Plan process for the 2020-2021 school year presenting an overview of the preliminary School Reopening Plan summary and the comprehensive School Reopening Plan. The comprehensive plan must be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) by August 14, 2020.

The comprehensive Reopening Plan must include all three models: All In-Person Model, Hybrid Model, and a Remote Learning Model. The School Committee will vote on the model and the first day of school for 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. Malone and Ms. Regan presented an overview of each model along with the pros and cons, a sample schedule, the design of classrooms as well as the cafeteria and lunch service. They presented the survey data results from parents and caregivers and the teachers. Additionally, they presented the transportation and technology needs, health and safety requirements, responding to COVID scenarios, and the clearing and disinfecting protocols.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments were accepted and responded to during the workshop. The School Committee was offered the opportunity to ask questions and comment on the School Reopening plan and process. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and School Committee Chair responded to all questions and comments. (See attached)

Mr. Sullivan thanked everyone and let the community know that if they have questions related to the workshop to please email Mr. Malone or Ms. Regan. If they have comments regarding their vote, to please email the School Committee. He stated that safety of all children is paramount and doing what is right for the community and students.

At 4:50 p.m., Mr. Cutelis moved, seconded by Mr. Stadtman, to adjourn the Joint Workshop.

Name	Address	Comment: Plan/Topic
Parent		HVAC - Heath Brook School ventilation system and protecting parents from germs coming home.
Skander Kechao	1535 Main Street Dewing / North Street Schools	Masks, managing/wearing
Christopher Conroy	30 Star Avenue	Extra-curricular activities, clubs, sports.
Elizabeth Miller	TMHS	Social Distancing and school drills.
Bailey Mahoney / Teacher	TMHS	Support of Teachers,lack of subs, PPE, enforcing safety guidelines.
Parent	Ballard Street	Add counselors for support.
Crystal	Summer Street	Survey unclear. Looking for protocols and daily structure of kindergarten.
Liam McDermott	Student	Hybrid Model / Extra-curricular Activities.\
Coleen Gallant	Patten Road	Concern if All-In Person impacting busses, budget and the flu season.
Parent		Student/parent Training
Parent		Hybrid Model and lunch
Colleen Gallant		Town has not opened to public.
Greg Meagher	Patriot Road	Support Teachers
Nichole Wandow	Riverdale Ave	Postive COVID protocols
Colleen	Florence Ave	School Committee vote on plan/model process.
Karla Branchad	Address	Hybrid Model / TMHS schedule / cohorts
Patty Casalini	Address	Test kids for COVID. Wash hands / mask-up.
Keith Sullivan	Chair	Remote Learning Academy /High risk students / Alignment of curriculum
Glen	Whipple Road	Reopening Plan / What is the vote and criteria used to determine reopening plan.
Kate Clark / Teacher	TMHS	Reopening Plan/ Can there be two different plans?
Marguerite Weidnecht / Teacher	Ryan School	Hybrid Model / Support of Specialists / exposure to all children.
Sheila Castillo	ADDRESS	Remote Learning / Synchronous time
Gina Scabo	Trahan School	Remote flexible option
Stefano Auriti	34 Merrimack Meadows Lane	All-in Person. Social aspect important.

