

# LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Lynn Public Schools Community,

I hope that you are enjoying the remaining days of the summer vacation. We are enthusiastically preparing to launch the school year, a process that brings with it great excitement and reflects deep investment. We are excited to welcome our learners back - to partner with them and you on their growth and development. Also, we have been thinking carefully about what students need in the upcoming year and we are preparing to bring existing and new resources to bear on meeting their needs.

Countless hours have gone into planning and preparing for the upcoming school year. The safety and well-being of students and staff being our first priority, we have aligned strategy and resources to state policy and recommendations by local health officials. I feel confident that we will provide a safe and fulfilling experience for all according to our five pillars on health and safety.

<b>1</b>	Full-time, In-Person Learning (see the <a href="#">LPS homepage</a> for the opening schedule)
<b>2</b>	Universal Mask Wearing Indoors (now <a href="#">state mandated</a> )
<b>3</b>	Health and Hygiene <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stay home when not well</li><li>• Hand hygiene</li><li>• Weekly COVID testing for students/staff (beginning October)</li></ul>
<b>4</b>	Cleaning and Sanitizing <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robust cleaning protocols</li><li>• Sanitizing high-touch surfaces (handrails, doorknobs) throughout the school day</li></ul>
<b>5</b>	Ventilation/Air Purification <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fresh air flow in all LPS buildings</li><li>• Increased filtration and monitoring</li></ul>

Additional information will be communicated directly from your student's school.

Our school buildings have been eerily quiet over the past few weeks. While we all look forward to the restful days that summer offers, the energy and enthusiasm that our learners bring to the school environment makes the beginning of the school year a much-anticipated event. We look forward to student voices ringing in the halls again.

If you have questions or concerns in the coming days, I welcome you to contact your student's building principal. I will continue to connect with you through the virtual town hall series, present updates and take your feedback about the school year launch. **The next virtual town hall will be Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.** Details are forthcoming. My best to all for a wonderful and fulfilling school year. Welcome back!

With deep respect for all you do,

Patrick Tutwiler, PhD  
Superintendent