

# Newport Public Schools

# Community Town Hall Meeting

June 7, 2021

**Welcome and Thank you!!**

Thank you for your hard work, patience, and perseverance throughout this year.

# TMS Principal Appointment

Welcome to Mr. Xavier Barrios!



# School Building Project Updates

**PELL** -- Schematic Design submitted to RIDE. Design Development documents will be presented to the School Building Committee on June 14. Groundbreaking will be scheduled for mid-August.

**RHS** -- SLAM Collaborative and RHS/NACTC Administrators are finalizing program verification. Next design presentation will be revealed to the School Building Committee on June 28.

## Upcoming Meetings:

- School Building Committee Meetings – June 14 and June 28 at 5 PM  
Documents are available at - [School Building Committee](#)

# FY22 Budget Update

- FY22 budget requested 4% increase. School Department most likely will receive 1% increase and must make adjustments to approve a balanced budget before June 30.
- Most likely will use ESSER II and ESSER III funds to mirror City in filling revenue shortfall.
- ESSER II and III funding –
  - Schools will receive approximately \$10 million;
  - City will receive approximately \$7 million
- Further discussions are needed to determine a predictable funding solution for schools.

# Summer Programs and Involvement

**Take advantage of the programs offered and stay involved during the summer months.**

- **NACTC - [CyberCamp](#)** for all students entering Grades 8 – 11
- **Newport Community School – Partnership with TMS and RHS:**  
[TMS 101](#) for incoming Grade 5 students  
[RHS 101](#) for incoming Grade 9 students

Additional links are sent in the [Superintendent's Weekly Update](#) and through your child's school

# Parent Involvement

- Attendance
- Foundational Skills
- Literacy

# A Virtual School Opportunity 2021-2022

- Some families have determined in-person attendance is not a viable option and would like a high quality, full-time virtual school
- Only seeking interest at this time  
[Click Here to Indicate Interest](#)
- What positive lessons can we take away from Zoom/Google Meets – (i.e. all meetings are not necessary in person)



# Vaccines age 12+

As of May 10, vaccine appointments are available now for individuals age 12+.

<https://covid.ri.gov/vaccination>

To be ready for school opening, individuals age 12+ should receive their first dose no later than mid-July.

# Updated Guidance – CDC and RIDOH

- Updated June 2, 2021: vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals will not generally need to wear masks outdoors. This includes during playing youth sports, outdoor graduations or proms, recess, or while attending outdoor summer camps
- **NO** changes to indoor masking guidance, including school settings and school bus settings

# School Year Calendar 2021-2022

- Staff Orientation/PD – September 1 and 2
- First Day for students – Wednesday, September 8
- Statewide PD Days – Monday, March 14 and Wednesday, May 11
- Last Day of School – June 17

[SY2021-2022 Calendar](#)

# Weekly Community Updates

- No weekly update during the month of July. Weekly Community Updates will resume on August 11.
- Time sensitive news from RIDE and RIDOH will be communicated throughout the summer, as needed.

**Questions / Comments?**

**Thank you!**

We appreciate everyone's patience, hard work, and flexibility during this school year.

Have a great summer of rest and relaxation!

