



**EDGARTOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**November 4, 2020 – 6:00pm via Zoom  
AGENDA**

**I. Middle School Re-entry Plan**

**II. Adjournment**

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# EDGARTOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Those present were; Chairperson Megan Anderson, Member Kimberly Kirk, Member Kelly McCracken, Matt D'Andrea (Superintendent), Richie Smith (Asst. Superintendent), Shelley Einbinder (Principal), MaryAnn Bartlett (Asst. Principal), Mark Friedman (Interim School Business Administrator), Nancy Dugan (Director of Student Support Services – Pre K-Gr.7), Leah Palmer (ELL Director), Pam Alwardt, Nicole Barlett, Becky Beeson, Kerry Branca, Meghan Brown, Sue Costello, James Craig, Nedine Cunningham, Anne Davey, Robin Davies, Deb Debettencourt, Gina Debettencourt, Ken Debettencourt, Summer Desouza, Jennifer Fournier, Gail Gardner, Debra Grant, Elaine Graves, Alessandra Hagerty, Pam Hurley, Alicia Knight, Gail Lachapelle, Kara Leandro, Connie Leuenberger, Josh Levy, Maria Mackenty, Judy Maynard, Megan McDonald, Meaghan Morris, Denise Searle, Tara Sykes, Theresa Temple, Valerie LaVigne, and Lizzie Ward.

## I. Middle School Re-entry Plan

The Edgartown Middle School Re-entry Plan was first presented and approved by The Health and Safety Committee at a meeting on October 29, 2020, Dr. Einbinder explained. The plan will phase-in two grades at a time.

On Tuesday, November 10, students in grades 5 & 6 will return to in-person learning 4 days per week, Tuesdays-Fridays, from 8:20am-2:40pm. Mondays will be a fully remote day for all grade 5 & 6 students. There are currently 36 students in Grade 5, with 8 students who are fully remote, and 56 students in Grade 6, with 10 students who are fully remote. These two grades will use the main entrance of the school and proceed left to their classrooms located on the first floor.

On Tuesday, November 17, students in grades 7 & 8 will also return to in-person learning 4 days per week, Tuesdays-Fridays, from 8:20am-2:40pm. Mondays will a fully remote day for all grade 7 & 8 students. There are currently 37 students in Grade 7, with 9 students who are fully remote, and 39 students in Grade 8, with 4 students who are fully remote. These two grades will use a completely separate entrance known as “the link” to enter the school. They will proceed to the enclosed staircase and make their way upstairs to their classrooms located on the second floor.

Each homeroom will have between 12-14 students, each with their assigned/named seat with 6 feet of social distancing. Even if all fully remote students were to return to in-person learning, they would still be able to accommodate and maintain the 6 feet of social distancing.

The students will remain in their homerooms to receive instruction, it will be the teachers who will rotate. Teachers will be encouraged to open windows whenever possible. Students will eat lunch at their assigned desks in either their homeroom or outdoors using the tents, weather permitting. There will be at least two mask breaks per day.

Nurse Barlett continues to provide ongoing health and safety training to each and every classroom. There will be strict adherence to the mitigation strategies and COVID 19 protocols as outlined by the Health & Safety document on the school website.

After a lengthy discussion and considerable input from the community, on a motion by Kelly McCracken, seconded by Kimberly Kirk, the committee unanimously approved the Edgartown Middle School Re-entry plan as presented by Dr. Einbinder by way of roll call vote.

## II. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Romero  
Secretary to the Committee