



January 19, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Approval of the Expanded In-Person Learning Plan for Grades 4-12 Beginning March 1, 2021

Recommendation: That the School Committee approves the expanded in-person learning plan for grades 4-12 as detailed in the January 12, 2021 presentation.

Description: The January 12, 2021 presentation details the Cambridge Public Schools plan for the expanded in-person learning plan for grades 4-12 beginning on March 1, 2021. The key features of the plan for School Committee approval include:

- Adjustment of the CPS District Calendar to have Professional Development days district-wide on January 27 and February 3 to support staff planning. *(Note: These days are currently scheduled as fully remote days for all students.)*
- All families will continue to be provided a remote learning option.
- Students in substantially separate special education programs and students in Sheltered English Immersion programs in grades preschool through 12 will continue to be eligible for in-person learning four days each week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday).
- Students in grades 4 through 5 are eligible for in-person learning four days each week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday). In the case of limited seats for in-person learning due to space or staffing, schools will utilize districtwide criteria for prioritizing students for those seats.
- Students in grades 6 through 8 are eligible for in-person learning in one of two cohorts that will attend school in-person either Monday/Tuesday or Thursday/Friday. Schedules and staffing/classroom assignments will be determined by schools.
- CRLS students are eligible for in-person learning as part of two cohorts that will attend school in-person Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, every other week. The in-person learning cohort will be determined using criteria established by CRLS and the Superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KS", is written over the typed name.

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