

COVID-19 Response Team Meeting Minutes  
January 4, 2022

Members Present: Sue Rubbe, Lester Brent, Kelly Avery, Jacqui McGettigan, Tim Paquette and Fire Chief Steve Heath, Police Chief Will Ulwick  
Absent with notice: Mary Moriarty

1. **Review of December 17, 2021 minutes:** No corrections noted.
2. **Review Confirmed Case Tool:** The COVID-19 Response Team reviewed the five Confirmed Case Tools. One cluster was earlier identified in Team Integrity by DHHS. This cluster is now considered closed. A second cluster was identified in Team Honesty by DHHS. This cluster should close out on January 7 pending no additional positive cases  
Mrs. Rubbe also noted that two clusters also equal one outbreak.
3. **Decision Making Tool:** While reviewing the Decision-Making Tool, it was noted that the state is still experiencing a delay in reporting positive case numbers, possibly making the numbers reviewed invalid.
4. **Air Purifiers Maintenance and Repair:** Over the holiday break, a representative from the air purifier company was on site to service our equipment. At this time, it was noted that some of the UV Light Filers were no longer operating properly. As they looked at each of our units throughout the building, they identified several other units that were not functioning properly for the same reason. As a result, we are currently down 14 air purifiers. Mr. Paquette was able to move some extra machines into classrooms so right now there are only three classrooms without functional air purifiers. All of the replacement filters have been ordered.
5. **Updated CDC Guidelines:** Per Superintendent Mary Moriarty, we are maintaining our current quarantine guidelines pending updated recommendations from NH DHHS.
6. **Mobile Vaccine Van:** The Mobile Vaccine Van will return to AES on Friday, January 7 with Vaccines and Boosters for all eligible members of the Ashland community.
7. **Winter Recreation Concern:** A member of the COVID-19 Response Team voiced a concern over moving forward with the Winter Recreation Program so close to the students' return from the holiday break. Specifically, the concern surrounded student seating on the busses.

The Response Team members discussed the following:

- Students who ride the bus to school are also exposed to students outside of their Team.
- We do our best to assign seat based on Teams and will follow the same procedure on the Winter Recreation Busses.
- Students will be masked on the bus.
- Students who are participating in the On-Campus program and the Waterville Valley program will be outside.
- Parents have had the opportunity to vaccinate their children If they choose to have their child participate in the Winter Recreation Program they should be fully aware of the risks
- On Campus students will be masked outdoors because Teams will be mixed throughout the day.
- On Campus snack will be in the café. Students will be seated by Team and will maintain appropriate social distancing.

Based on this information, the Response Team decided to move forward with the Winter Recreation Program.

8. **Next Meeting:** The next COVID-19 Response Team meeting will take place on Friday, January 7, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqui McGettigan  
Office Manager

**COVID-19 Decision Making Tool  
Ashland Elementary School**

<b>Current Mitigation Response Level as of December 17, 2021</b>	Blue—Low transmission	Yellow—Moderate Transmission	<b>Orange-- Substantial Transmission</b>	Red High Transmission
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**Date: January 4, 2022**

**Local & Statewide COVID - 19 Data Review**

Active Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in School	<b>2</b>
Active Cluster of Cases in School	<b>1</b>
Active Outbreak of Cases in School	<b>0</b>
Number of Pending Known COVID-19 Tests	<b>3</b>
Number of Quarantines	<b>3</b>
Number of Isolations	<b>5</b>
Number of Active Cases in Ashland Last Week	<b>15 Active Cases as of 12/14/2022</b>
Number of Active Cases in Ashland	<b>9 Active Cases as of 1/2/2022</b>
Grafton County Transmission Level	<b>High Community Transmission/RED</b>
Data Summary	High community transmission.

**Decision Point:**

**Does the data review warrant a change in response level?**

**No—all in agreement**

<b>Attendance</b> <b>Are staff absences impacting the ability to effectively supervise students?</b> <b>Are staff absences impacting the ability to effectively provide learning opportunities?</b> <b>Are student absences impacting the ability to learn effectively?</b>	
Staff	<b>No</b>
Students	<b>No</b>
<b>Decision Point:</b> <b>Does the data/information on absences warrant a change in response level?</b> <b>No—all in agreement</b>	
<b>Cleaning Supplies</b>	
Status of availability of materials & staff to clean for the next two weeks	<b>Good</b>
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Disposable Masks, Gloves, Disposable Shields/Drapes	<b>Good</b>
<b>Decision Point:</b> <b>Do the current conditions for cleaning warrant a change in response level?</b> <b>No—all in agreement</b>	
<b>Mitigation Efforts</b>	
Face Coverings	<b>Good</b>
Physical Distancing	<b>Good with reminders</b>
Hand Washing	<b>Good</b>
Limited Illness at School	<b>Good</b>
<b>Decision Point:</b> <b>Does the level of compliance with mitigation efforts warrant a change in response level?</b> <b>No—all in agreement</b>	

**Mitigation Response Level based on transmission levels in the community and the county**

**Recommended Decision Date: January 4, 2022**

**Anticipated Recommended Response Level for Next Week**

**Wait until the 1/7/2022 meeting**

**Anticipated Recommended Response Level for Next Four Weeks**




**TBD**

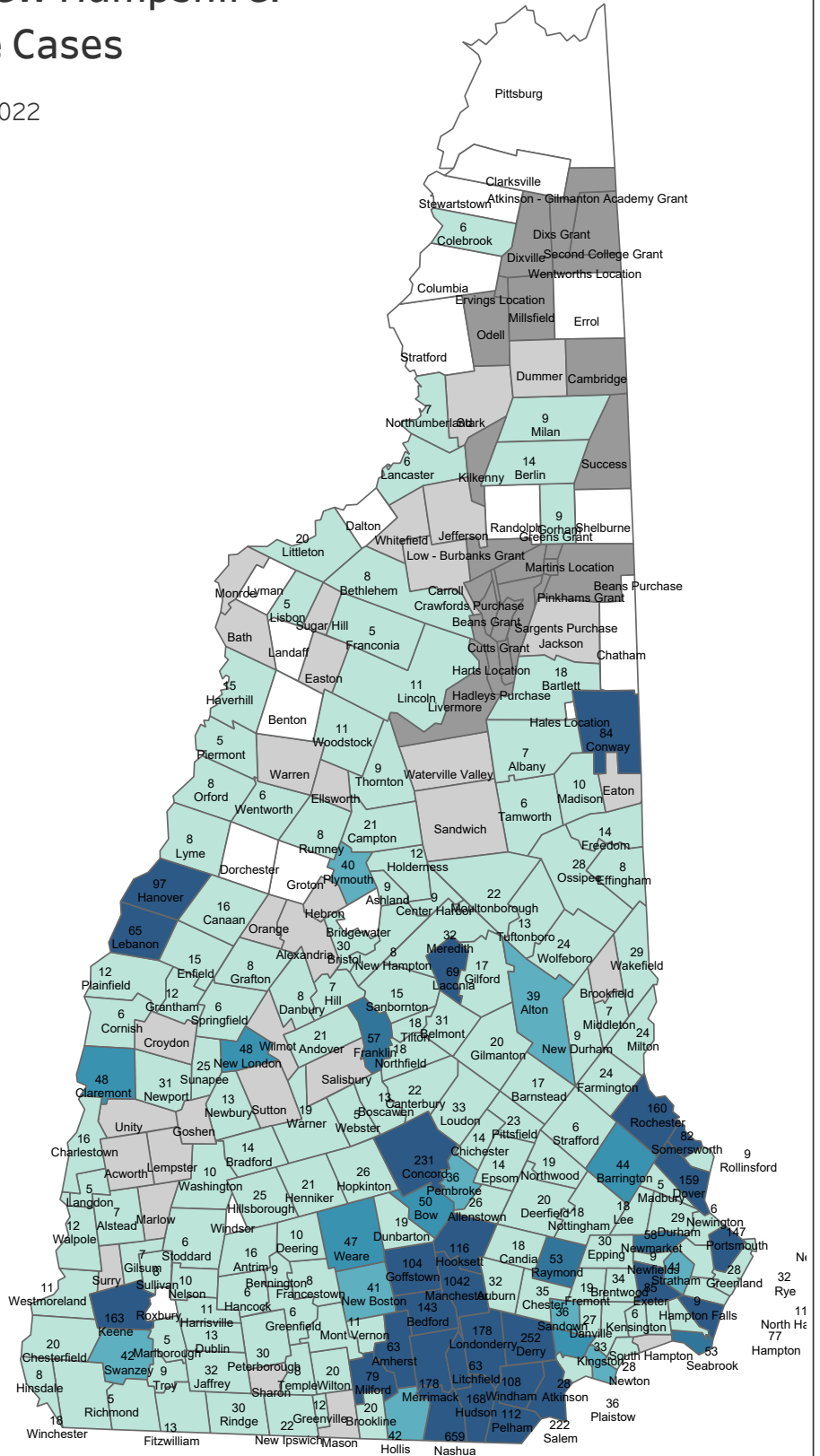
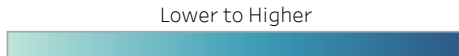
# COVID-19 in New Hampshire: Active Cases

1/2/2022

Active Cases:  
8785

Total Unknowns:  
0

-  0 Cumulative Active Cases
-  Data not available for areas with less than a population of 100. Town metrics not available for ICU, Hospitalization, or Death data.
-  For towns with metric counts between 1-4, data limited to protect the privacy of individuals.



Data as of: 1/3/2022