

COVID-19 Response Team Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2022

Members Present: Sue Rubbe, RN, Grace Hannon (Student Nurse), Tim Paquette, Kelly Avery, Police Chief Will Ulwick. Absent with Notice: Mary Moriarty

- **Review of February 11, 2022 minutes:** No changes noted
- **Decision Making Tool:** The COVID-19 Response Team reviewed local and county data.
 - a. For the first time all school year, AES had no confirmed cases of COVID-19.
 - b. Community active case number is also down significantly
 - c. The COVID-19 Response Team agreed that it is time to move from Orange Response Level to Yellow Response Level. This will impact classroom cohorts and will give teachers the choice to continue to cohort for Morning Meetings or to meet as an entire class.
- **Masks In School:** The COVID-19 Response Team reviewed several masking change announcement communications from local schools including Laconia School District, Newfound School District, Moultonborough School District and Inter-Lakes School District.
 - a. Three of these districts have plans to introduce mask optional guidelines in the coming few weeks.
 - b. Each notification indicated that the decision had been approved by the school board
 - c. One district will be re-evaluating the situation following the February break with additional updates to families on a weekly basis following the break.

The COVID-19 Response Team discussed the information and recommended that we monitor the number of active cases in school following the February break. The Team will meet again before the next school board meeting which is scheduled for March 15th. If conditions warrant, the Team anticipates making a recommendation to the School Board that AES move to Response Level Blue which is Mask Optional.

Mrs. Avery will draft an email to families providing them with this update.

It was also noted that there is currently a federal mandate that requires masks on buses until March 18th. AES will continue to follow the guidelines provided by Durham Student Services.

- **Meeting Frequency:** The COVID-19 Response Team will continue to meet weekly until the decision to move to Level Blue an option. At that time, the Team will move to meeting every other week.
- **Next Meeting:** The next COVID-19 Response Team meeting will take place on Friday, February 25, 2022.
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Respectfully submitted,

Jacqui McGettigan
Office Manager

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

Current Mitigation Response Level as of February 11, 2022	Blue—Low transmission	Yellow—Moderate Transmission	Orange-- Substantial Transmission	Red High Transmission
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Date: February 18, 2022

Local & Statewide COVID - 19 Data Review

Active Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in School	0
Active Cluster of Cases in School	0
Active Outbreak of Cases in School	0
Number of Pending Known COVID-19 Tests	0
Number of Quarantines	0
Number of Isolations	0
Number of Active Cases in Ashland Last Week	9 Active Cases as of 2/8/2022
Number of Active Cases in Ashland	1-4 Active Cases as of 2/15/2022
Grafton County Transmission Level	High Community Transmission/RED
Data Summary	No new active cases for the past seven days.

Decision Point:

Does the data review warrant a change in response level?

Yes from Orange to Yellow—All in agreement

(Note: Yellow = no longer required to cohort by homerooms. It will be a team choice.)

Attendance Are staff absences impacting the ability to effectively supervise students? Are staff absences impacting the ability to effectively provide learning opportunities? Are student absences impacting the ability to learn effectively?	
Staff	No
Students	No
Decision Point: Does the data/information on absences warrant a change in response level? No—all in agreement	
Cleaning Supplies	
Status of availability of materials & staff to clean for the next two weeks	Good
Status of availability of materials & staff to clean for the next 2 weeks (or 4 weeks out)	Good
Disposable Masks, Gloves, Disposable Shields/Drapes	Good
Decision Point: Do the current conditions for cleaning warrant a change in response level? No—all in agreement	
Mitigation Efforts	
Face Coverings	Yes
Physical Distancing	Yes with reminders
Hand Washing	Yes
Limited Illness at School	Yes
Decision Point: Does the level of compliance with mitigation efforts warrant a change in response level? No—all in agreement	

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

Recommended Decision Date: February 18, 2022

Anticipated Recommended Response Level for Next Week

Yellow with homeroom cohort choice

Anticipated Recommended Response Level for Next Four Weeks




TBD

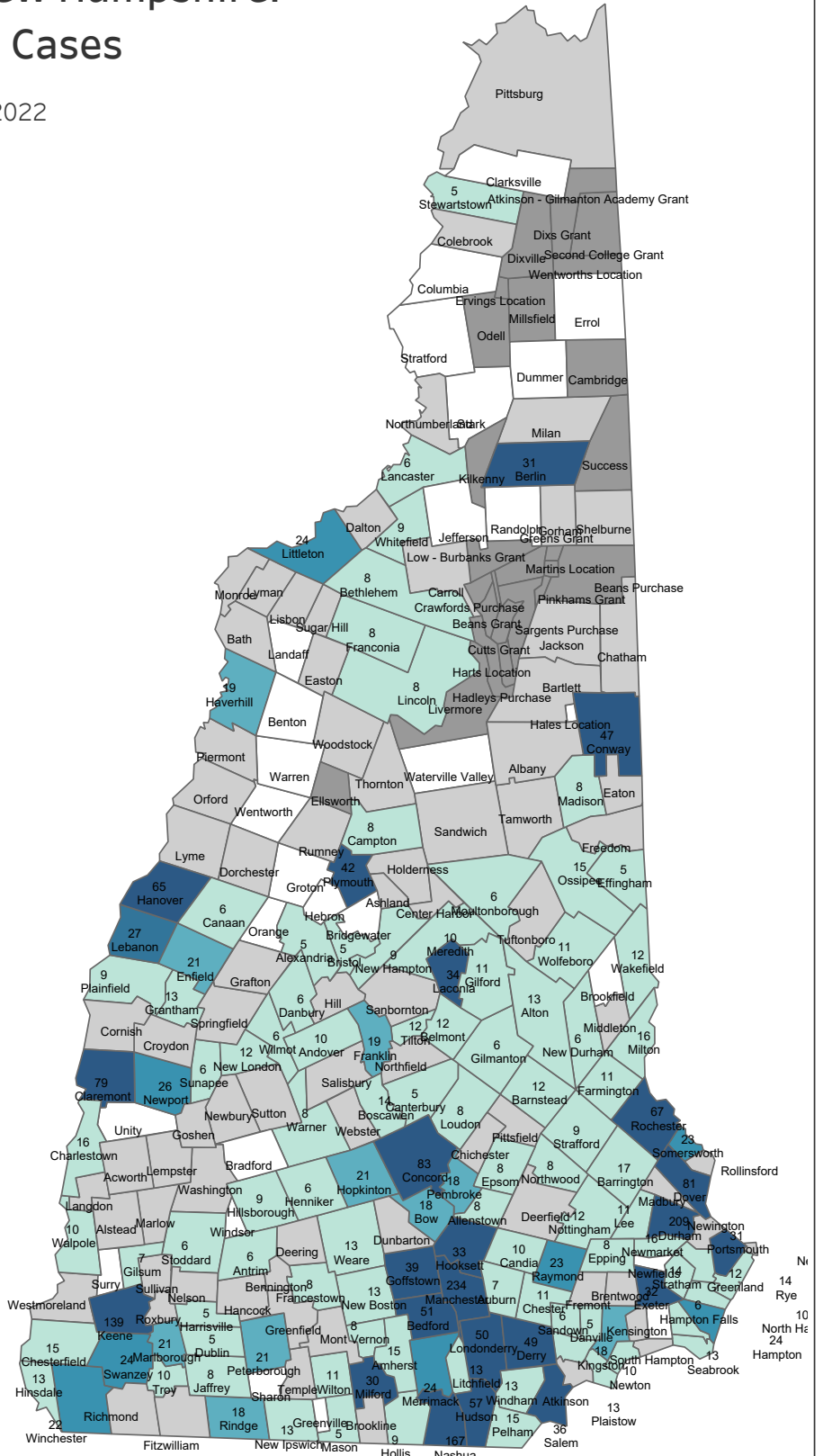
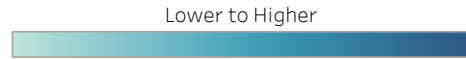
COVID-19 in New Hampshire: Active Cases

2/15/2022

Active Cases:
3273

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: 2/16/2022