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# School Administrative Unit 21

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Dear SAU 21 Families and Community,

#### End of Year Activities: Grades 8 & 12

Plans for end-of-year in-person activities are well underway in all of our districts for graduating 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. We share your desire to commemorate these important milestones in meaningful and creative ways. Our graduates deserve to be celebrated now more than ever after such a unique year in education. While there may be elements that are different from past years due to safety protocols, we are confident that our students will enjoy and embrace the events. We will be in touch with all of our families when dates are firm and plans are finalized for our ceremonies and activities.

### NH Vaccine Phase 3: Age 16+

New Hampshire residents age 16 and older can register to receive their COVID-19 vaccine via the website: <a href="https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/">https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/</a> or by calling 2-1-1. With the majority of high school students at age 16+, this could create a safer environment for learning and teaching. Data on the <a href="https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/">NH DHHS COVID-19 Vaccination</a> Dashboard website provides vaccination trends for your reference. Vaccine recipients who are age 16 or 17 years old may only receive the Pfizer vaccine, which is available at all statemanaged fixed sites and Walgreens locations.



## April 2, 2021 World Autism Acceptance Day April: Autism Acceptance Month

Serving the communities of:

Hampton Falls

North Hampton

Seabrook

South Hampton

Winnacunnet High School



Please join me in celebrating our students and all individuals experiencing autism. All students have the right to learn, all students can learn, and all students have an equal right to be included in all opportunities. Key Resources include:

UNH Institute on Disability
Autism Society of America

As always, please reach out to us if you have questions at any time. We are a community.

Sincerely,

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## School Spotlight: Vertical Teaming

Earlier this week, SAU 21 began the process of meeting across schools in established vertical teams. The purpose of these meetings is to offer time and space for representative teachers from middle and high school subject areas to discuss transitions from 8th to 9th grade. Specifically, these teams were tasked with identifying any curriculum changes, gaps in learning, course recommendations, and scheduling implications for next year. We will continue these discussions as we move into spring and summer planning in an effort to support our students.

Special thanks to the following teachers for their leadership and facilitation of these discussions:

- Lisa Woodruff (Science; Lincoln Akerman School)
- Rachel Roberge (Social Studies; WHS)
- Liz Szeliga (English Language Arts; Lincoln Akerman School)
- Stephanie Goupil (Math; WHS)
- Jon Cross (World Language, WHS)
- Dr. Hobbs, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment, & Instruction

## COVID-19 Guidance & Resources / Nurses' Corner

VACCINE Phases, Information, Registration for New Hampshire <a href="https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/">https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/</a>

<u>COVID-19 Testing Sites: SAU 21 Towns</u>: SAU 21 Nurses compiled this table that includes testing site information from Newburyport to Hampton to Stratham.

NHDHHS COVID-19 Schools Dashboard: The Schools dashboard shows COVID-19 data for schools and their surrounding communities. Select a specific county using the map on the left. This selection will display county-level COVID-19 activity and cases in every school in the county.

# **Previously Shared Information**

The following information was shared in a previous communication to families. The information is still relevant for this week and month and has been updated where appropriate.

## SAU 21 Updates & Notices

SAU 21 School Board Meetings Visit SAU21.org for Zoom links or location information.

#### April

2021-04-01 (Thu) South Hampton School Board Meeting — 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

North Hampton School Board Meeting — 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

2021-04-13 (Tue) Seabrook School Board Meeting — 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Hampton Falls School Board Meeting — 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

| 2021-04-14 (Wed)                                   | Joint Board Policy Committee Meeting — 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm   |
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| 2021-04-21 (Wed)                                   | Winnacunnet High School School Board Meeting — 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm   |
| 2021-04-19-23 (Mon-Fri)<br>2021-04-26-30 (Mon-Fri) | Spring Break - No School - Barnard School, South Hampton<br>Spring Break - No School - Lincoln Akerman School, Seabrook Schools,<br>North Hampton School, Winnacunnet HS |

## We are hiring!

SAU 21 is a great place to work and an equal opportunity employer. Please check out our website, <u>sau21.org</u> for current employment opportunities.

We currently have openings for:

- Teaching positions for the 21-22 school year
- Facilities positions at various schools, a night custodian position and two part-time positions
- Substitute positions including school nurse substitutes
- Educational Associates for our Special education program

If interested, please apply at: <a href="https://www.applitrack.com/sau21/onlineapp/default.aspx">https://www.applitrack.com/sau21/onlineapp/default.aspx</a>

#### Meal Distribution Information

#### SAU 21 Meal Distribution during COVID-19

Meals (breakfast and lunch) continue to be free for all students in buildings and learning remotely in 2021. We encourage full participation in our meal distribution program to any/all families regardless of free/reduced lunch eligibility.

#### Pick up

- Meal Pick up time is at least during 9:00am-10:00am at LAS, NHS, Seabrook, and WHS.
- Pickup will be provided Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays unless otherwise noted for holidays.
- Parents/guardians from all five SAU 21 districts may pick up at any location for any of their children.

#### **Delivery**

- Delivery will be provided Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays unless otherwise noted for holidays.
- <u>Click here to view the bus route.</u> Please check back frequently as stops and routes are subject to change. Please allow for a 3-5 minute range before and after the posted bus stop time. Buses will beep upon arrival to bus stops.
- Click here to access: <u>Family Food Resource List Other Resources</u> (As posted on the <u>SAU 21 Meals Program Page</u>.)

If you have any questions regarding receiving meals, please contact your Principal, Nutrition Director, or School Counselor/Social Worker.