

Statement from the Lincoln, Lincoln-Sudbury, and Sudbury School Committees and Superintendents, Select Boards, the Lincoln Town Administrator and Sudbury Town Manager, the Lincoln Public Health Nurse, and the Sudbury Board of Health

For our children, teachers, and community, please take the pledge to prevent COVID-19

We all are eager for a safe and healthy 2020-2021 school year. *To make this happen, we must work together and be vigilant, every day, to ensure there is minimal community spread of COVID-19.* For our schools to open and remain open, it is critical that we prioritize the health and safety of our teachers, students, administrators, and families. The best way to educate our children, support families, and re-open our economy is for each one of us to pledge to take all necessary steps to prevent COVID-19 exposure and spread so that we eradicate this dangerous virus.

We ask all residents, local businesses, and visitors to prioritize safe school re-openings and the health and wellbeing of your neighbors in all your decisions. Throughout August, please continue to stop the spread by practicing healthy hygiene and social distancing, avoiding travel to hotspots, wearing face coverings, limiting the size of groups and large group activities, and getting tested if you suspect exposure. Please make sure your family members, your employees, and you know how to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and that you follow Centers for Disease Control and MA Department of Health guidelines.

We are all painfully aware that new COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths are increasing across the US, and many school districts are moving to fully-remote learning because of high community transmission. *While MA has made great strides and Lincoln and Sudbury have kept case numbers low, our progress is fragile, and we remain at risk.* Our collective decisions in August and throughout the school year will determine whether COVID-19 spreads throughout our communities and whether our schools can stay open. *Our combined future is in our collective hands.* The health and safety of our teachers and administrators, our town employees, our children, our families, and our patrons and visitors depend on all of us. Thank you for consistently doing your part.



Ellen Joachim, Chair
on behalf of the School Committee
Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School



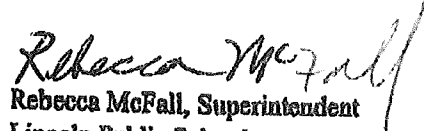
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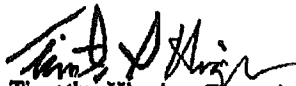
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