# HOS Report 2/17/22

#### ESSER III

MDE: Local educational agencies (LEAs) must publicly share their spending plans, including specifics about (i) their plans to spend on COVID-related health and safety, (ii) 20% of funds to address the impact of lost learning time, and (iii) plans for the more flexible 80% and (iv) how the LEA will ensure that the interventions will respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students disproportionately impacted by the pandemic, including students from low-income families, students of color, English learners, children with disabilities, students experiencing homelessness, children in foster care, and migratory students. Therefore, MDE created a webpage that has all ESSER III applications on it. We have linked it to our website as suggested by MDE to ensure compliance. I also finally got our application condensed into a spreadsheet, and we have a great deal of options that we can engage in. ESSER II is the least restricted money, so we are focusing on spending down FIN 161 (ESSER III 20% set aside) first as it is most restricted.

#### **BKDV**

Has had some recent turnover, but they appear to have strong succession plans. Business is going on as usual.

I met again last week with Travis and Brenda to continue work on the 5/10 year budget, and hope to meet again in early March to continue tightening that up and building our budget for next year.

# Covid protocols doc

A new doc has been created reflecting the 7 day quarantine and 8 day isolation. It is still a lot to process, but in lieu of any timely documentation from the state this is what we are working from to ensure consistency and equitable enforcement. Protocols doc

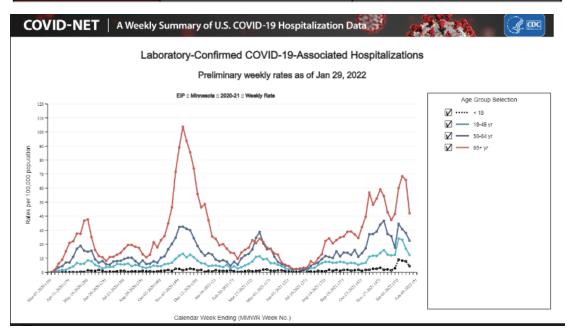
We were contacted to host a vax clinic for ages 2-5 onsite by the county-I offered our site just as before. This is the final piece we discussed to reasonably moving forward as mask optional-upon completion of the 2 part vax clinics, all our stakeholder/student groups will have access to the vaccine. Just need cases to keep coming down.

No changes to the Safe Return to In-person learning plan have been made since the last board meeting. We are now the only school I am aware of in our region not using the 5 day isolation and 5 day quarantine plans. There are issues with either approach. Masking on buses, etc, is extended to March 18 for now.

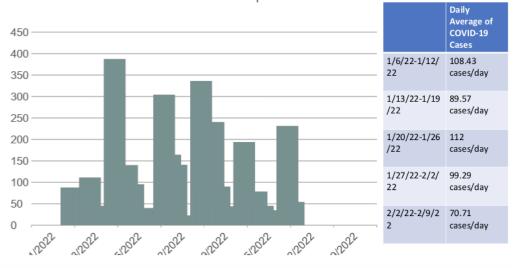
We always have to consider how different we are from other schools. They are apart, in desks and can easily define their spaces. Here, we have lesson groups that come together at a presentation table, kids that are up and moving and socializing during work time, and student/staff proximities that are much more frequent and close. One part of the discussion from early this year was the difference between masking and keeping distances down to 3 feet, or not masking and eliminating the proximity and small lesson groups.

CDC is still strongly recommending universal precautions including masking in schools as is MDH. Our plan table is below, followed by several slides from the County. CDC guidelines.

| CDC Metrics & Thresholds |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Transmission Level       | Case growth per 100,000 (cumulative weekly rate) | Positive (7-day rate) -<br>Percentage of tests that are<br>positive during the past 7 days |  |  |
| Blue (Low)               | <10  | <5%  |  |  |
| Yellow (Moderate)        | 10-49  | 5-7.9%   |  |  |
| Orange (Substantial)     | 50-99  | 8-9.9%   |  |  |
| Red (High)               | ≥100   | ≥10%   |  |  |

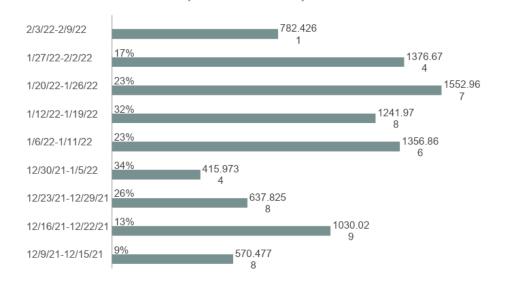


# of COVID-19 Cases Report



Winona County COVID-19 7-Day Case Growth and Positivity Rate

#7-day Case Growth | Positivity Rate



| Cities  | Un-Official 14-day Case<br>Rate 1/27/22-2/9/22   | # Of reported<br>School-Aged COVID-19<br>cases between<br>2/3/22-2/9/22 | 7-Day Case growth per<br>100,000 (cumulative<br>weekly rate)<br>2/3/22-2/9/22 |
|---|--|---|---|
| Lewiston-Altura                               | <b>34.75</b> COVID-19 cases per 1,000 Lewiston and Altura residents                          | 9^  | 32 <sup>v</sup> cases<br>1566.32 <sup>v</sup> cases per<br>100,000            |
| Saint Charles and Utica                       | <b>23.23</b> COVID-19 cases per 1,000 Saint Charles and Utica residents.                     | 7*  | 37° cases<br>914.26° cases per<br>100,000                                     |
| Winona, Goodview, Dakota,<br>and Rollingstone | <b>24.27°</b> COVID-19 cases per 1,000 Winona, Goodview, Dakota, and Rollingstone residents. | 62 <sup>v</sup>   | 292° cases<br>915.5° cases per<br>100,000                                     |

#### Mental Health help

Our provider of school linked mental health services has been unable to replace an employee that resigned. We have 6 students receiving services, and 7 on the waiting list. We have engaged a second provider (FCC), with the idea of using ESSER monies, to begin on our wait list, and if the service lag extends beyond a few weeks they may have to step in fully for all students.

# Carry On

Octavia/Ellie contract should be developed in the next week or so.

#### Staff

Teacher evaluations (formal) are well underway. Working on the Q comp application (currently 25 charters/districts on wait list). Will bring in more revenue for the school (\$254/ADM), will pay for certain tasks and will help build institutional accountability as it will continue to formalize and deepen our evaluation process. One staff on FMLA was extended to end of April. Then we will discuss further, what the opportunities are for next year. One maternity leave is set to start in late March-the long term sub is already at work, learning the classroom. This was the impetus for our recently hired floating sub. Yes there is about a 6 week overlap, but they are being put to work daily. We can recover/recode any floating sub monies to ESSER III if the budget gets salary heavy due to our proactive approach this year. We continue to consider hiring a non-licensed float.

# Submissions

CRDC submitted (Renee), SRSA grant, working on FIN 163 for summer.

# Summer programming

FIN 163 was just opened to us. The application is due on March 15th. This year it requires a full plan to be in place, including staff, expenditures, etc. at the time of the application. Working on it.

# HVED

I requested of HVED an internal inquiry into the need for an EL teacher that could serve multiple sites. That role appears to fit into their processes. Admin agreed that it would be a good fit, and upon some initial discussion at an HVED meeting they are looking into Title III, other ways to fund this as at least 4 other locations expressed interest. This could become a larger need in the SE regional schools with the Afghan relocation in SW Wisconsin.

# VOA conference

Our Authorizer has sent us the invitation for the summer leadership conference. We have 2 rooms open for us. This is for any admin or Board member. Interested? I will send you the information via email.