



# Lackawanna City School District

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Dear Lackawanna Families,

I am hopeful that you and your family have had a safe and enjoyable summer! The past 1.5 school years for all of us have been a challenge. Much preparation for the 2021-2022 school year has been ongoing as we welcome all students back starting September 1, 2021, for a full five days a week of in-person instruction.

Erie County government officials have included us as educators in discussions related to educational matters such as space in classroom, buses, and cafeterias. We support and appreciate the County's efforts to help us start and maintain full-time instruction this school year.

In the absence of medical-related guidance from New York State, the Erie County Department of Health has released a comprehensive document that provides both requirements and recommendations that are to be implemented within our schools and buildings.

The County has been clear that any requirement or recommendation is subject to change depending on conditions and data, and Lackawanna is in good position to pivot with any new requirements.

Lackawanna City Schools is planning on offering high-quality instructional programs while maintaining the safest environment possible for our students and staff. We will need your continued understanding and cooperation as we navigate this school year.

Please visit our website for the Erie County Department of Health's Guidance that was sent out yesterday along with its summary. Masks will be required for staff, students, and visitors within our schools and buildings.

Warm Regards,

Keith E. Lewis  
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