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Good afternoon,

I hope that you are all enjoying your weekend. Two things.

1. Given that this is the July 4<sup>th</sup> week – I am going to cancel our call tomorrow Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>. We are all off on Friday – so there will be NO 9 am calls this week. We will resume with our 9 am calls on July 6<sup>th</sup> (Monday).
2. There was a joint order that answered Marie's question regarding staff that knowingly travels from June 25<sup>th</sup> onward to states that have high covid rates. Employers may charge those employees with sick time during quarantine. The executive order isn't published yet but the story can be found at <https://newyork.cbslocal.com/2020/06/27/cuomo-signs-executive-order-excluding-workers-from-covid-19-paid-sick-leave-if-they-travel-to-high-risk-states/>
3. In addition Oliver and Jody have both shared articles/ guidance regarding reopening. They can be found at (Oliver) <https://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2020/06/25/hybrid-school-schedules-more-flexibility-big-logistical.html?cmp=eml-contshr-shr> (Jody) Our school physician shared this guidance that was just released from the American Academy of Pediatrics. It seems to give a bit more flexibility in their guidance, as compared to CDC, especially with younger students and special ed students. <https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/>

Have a wonderful week everyone,

Anita

June 26, 2020

9:00am

### Weekly Calls

These meetings will be moving to Mondays and Fridays until guidance is released. Please leave the Wednesday time slot on your calendar if needed.

### Digital Equity Survey

- Survey was distributed by NYSED and we believe will be used for advocacy.
- Other than surveying your staff, you will need to do your best to respond.

### Protocol for Bringing Staff on Site:

- On-site staff must be trained on all CDC and DOH protocols. If you use the BOCES Health and Safety Service, contact Jenn Bennett ([jennifer.bennett@neric.org](mailto:jennifer.bennett@neric.org)) if you need assistance with training staff.
- Please indicate if you are interested in using the self-certify app: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10ew2n1IDbKPtOSDRGBkTVDK6UIt48Zd\\_oIY0uDhU4DM/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10ew2n1IDbKPtOSDRGBkTVDK6UIt48Zd_oIY0uDhU4DM/edit?usp=sharing); you can also email [Michael.Doughty@NERIC.org](mailto:Michael.Doughty@NERIC.org)
- Taking temperatures of students is not required and not recommended. It is strongly recommended that individuals self-attest.
- Have staff work remotely if they do not need to be onsite and/or have health issues and can work remotely. Instructional staff who cannot attend work, should follow normal medical protocol and document the absence as COVID related. Details will be reviewed at the HR Meetings. If you do not have staff attending, please email Carol Ratigan ([carol.ratigan@neric.org](mailto:carol.ratigan@neric.org)) for an invitation.
- BOCES staff who work in districts need to complete the training for the districts they will be working in before returning to work onsite. They will also be required to complete the BOCES training. These staff will need to follow protocol based on where they are working, anticipating that these protocols should be the same.
- Please reference the following guidance from NYS:
  - Summary Guidelines: <https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/offices-interim-guidance.pdf>
  - Business Safety Plan  
Template: [https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/NYS\\_BusinessReopeningSafetyPlanTemplate.pdf](https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/NYS_BusinessReopeningSafetyPlanTemplate.pdf)
- Please reference the executive order re quarantine restrictions for travelers, recommendation is to have staff tested prior to returning to work: <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-205-quarantine-restrictions-travelers-arriving-new-york>

### Retreat

- A Thoughtexchange around equity will be sent to the CRB superintendents to gather feedback prior to the July 14-15 retreat. We will take the top issues and develop round robin sessions to develop solutions/options. Information will be documented to reflect the equity issues of the Capital Region Districts.
- The Thoughtexchange will run from today until July 9.
- Based on list of topics, the retreat will be opened to other experts from the CRB district.

