



Colchester Public Schools

127 Norwich Avenue, Suite 202
Colchester, CT 06415

Jeffrey E. Burt
Superintendent of Schools

Phone (860) 537-7208
Fax (860) 537-1252
jburt@colchesterct.org

May 14, 2021

There are new updates from the CDC and public health officials on vaccines and masks. The CDC update is that fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask or physically distance in any setting, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance. At this time we have no update from the CT-DPH or CSDE on how this change impacts Connecticut schools. However, I anticipate that they will provide updated guidance either today or early next week. For now, CPS is maintaining our current mask protocol.

- [When You've Been Fully Vaccinated - Covid-19](#)
- [How to Talk About COVID-19 Vaccines with Friends and Family](#)

Vaccine Clinic for ages 12+

Saturday, May 15th 8:30 am - 12:00 pm at UCFS Healthcare, 47 Town Street, Norwich. For more information: [Pfizer 12-15 year old clinic](#)

Access to Parent Portal in PowerSchool for 2021-22

CPS is requiring all families to update student information forms and review school related documents prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year. Families will be able to access the Parent Portal in order to complete all paperwork on August 16, 2021. Families will not be able to see their student's next year teacher or course schedule until after August 16 and upon the completion of all required paperwork in the Parent Portal.

Emergency Broadband Benefit

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The [Emergency Broadband Benefit](#) provides a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. [Eligibility Criteria](#). The program provides credits to existing as well as new customers.

Eligible households can enroll through a [participating broadband provider](#) or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) using an [online](#) or mail in application. You can learn more about the benefit, including eligibility and enrollment information, by visiting www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit, or by calling 833-511-0311.

Upcoming Week: May 17-21

CES/JJIS/WJJMS

- Monday & Tuesday: full in-person learning
- Wednesday: in-person/shortened day
- Thursday & Friday: full in-person learning

Bacon Academy

- Monday & Tuesday: Group 1 in-person
- Wednesday: remote learning/shortened day
- Thursday & Friday: Group 2 in-person

2020-2021 School Year Calendar

[School Year 2020-2021 Calendar](#)

Have a question or concern?

- **EMAILS**

- Budget questions: budget@colchesterct.org
- General questions: covid19@colchesterct.org
- Tech questions: techhelp@colchesterct.org
- BOE questions: boardquestions@colchesterct.org

Frequently asked questions: [CPS Parent FAQ](#). For the most current update on COVID-19, please visit ct.gov/coronavirus. Information on the impact of COVID-19 in our community can be found here: [CT COVID-19-Data-Tracker](#).

Best Regards,



Jeffrey Burt, Superintendent