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C21-032

--In School Committee--
01/19/2021

Ordered:

That the following be referred to the Superintendent:

Whereas: The health and safety of all Cambridge Public Schools students and staff is the highest priority and most important responsibility of the School Committee; and

Whereas: CPSD is currently offering in-person learning to some students and is working to expand in-person learning opportunities to more students; and

Whereas: CPSD staff, including teachers and support staff, are currently in-person supporting those students and more will need to be in-person for in-person learning to expand; and

Whereas: Surveillance testing is an effective way to limit the spread of COVID-19; now therefore be it Resolved: That the Cambridge Public Schools will implement weekly mandatory COVID-19 surveillance testing for all in-person students at all age levels, following all relevant regulations, beginning as soon as possible for students currently in-person and put in place before additional students are brought in for in-person learning; and be it further

Resolved: That the Cambridge Public Schools will require weekly mandatory COVID-19 surveillance testing for all in-person staff, following all relevant regulations, beginning as soon as possible for staff currently in-person and put in place before additional staff are brought in for in-person learning; and be it further

Resolved: That COVID-19 testing will continue to be offered to all in-person staff twice weekly, with a requirement to participate at least once per week; and be it further Resolved: That this will not change offerings nor protocols for symptomatic or exposure-related COVID-19 testing of students or staff.

A true copy:

Dosha E. Beard
Executive Secretary to the School Committee

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Member Weinstein
Member Rachel

Motion # 21-28