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Dear SAU 7 School Community,

I hope that you had a chance to relax, recharge, and be ready to go for the new year. We are excited to welcome students back to school next week on Tuesday, August 30, for the 2022-2023 school year.

There is much to look forward to this year – more amazing academic achievements, more exciting athletic competitions, and more extraordinary student performances. We are launching a new reading program across all our schools in grades K-8, and we are continuing our after-school programs! We are offering preschool in all three schools including a new full day preschool in Colebrook and continuing part time programs in Pittsburg and Stewartstown.

This fall we are proud to announce the opening of the new North Point CTE Center with five programs including four housed in Colebrook and one in Pittsburg as outlined in the attached document.

While we had all hoped that COVID would be behind us by now, the virus continues to bring challenges. Restrictions are lessening as we transition to self-monitoring. We are adjusting our practices to align with the most recent New Hampshire and federal guidelines for schools as noted in the attached document.

As we plan for the year ahead, we're staying focused on our mission: *To prepare all SAU 7 students for success in whatever path they choose.* To build on our successes and strengthen the future for our students, our School Board continues to monitor, and ensure progress toward the SAU 7 Strategic Plan. We have recently updated our goals and priorities for the coming school year. For more information on the plan, please visit the SAU 7 website: www.sau7.org.

In the coming weeks, graduates of the Class of 2022 will begin their lives beyond high school, embarking on their studies at colleges and universities, beginning their careers or joining the military. We are proud of their accomplishments - due in no small part to the exceptional educators in our schools.

Please enjoy the last few days of summer. For me, personally, it's all about the joy of teaching and learning. I'm honored to serve as Superintendent and look forward to seeing your students on August 30th!

Sincerely,

Debra Taylor, PhD. // Superintendent of Schools

Mission Statement To prepare all SAU 7 students for success in whatever path they choose.

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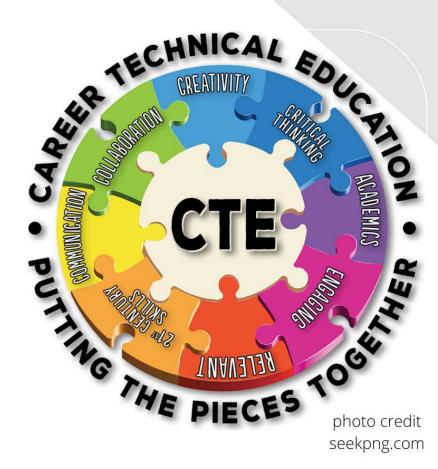
"Career and Technical Education (CTE) offers high school students the chance to explore career opportunities and receive experiential and technical training that prepares them for college and careers. Rigorous academics, industry-specific training and work-based learning opportunities empower students to succeed as world-class workers and citizens. Today's CTE tightly aligns with industry needs and trends to offer career pathways — from agriculture and biotechnology to engineering — for students with every educational and career aspiration. CTE develops the talent pipeline NH companies require to compete and grow." (nh-cte.org)



- Health Science
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For More Information

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SAU 7 Procedure COVID-19

Effective August 19, 2022

Updated CDC COVID 19 Prevention and Quarantine Guidance for Families

Student Requirements

Universal Precautions

Optional masking

Exclusion and testing for symptoms

Isolation for 5 days with positive result. Students may return on day 6 with improvement of symptoms and lack of measurable fever for 24 hours without intervention masked. If able to produce 2-negative antigen based tests 24 hours apart, may cease masking.

Masking recommended after known exposure (10 minutes or greater within 6 feet of an infected individual within 48 hours of symptom development or positive test in the absence of symptoms).

For more information please visit the CDC website Guidance for K-12 Schools.