

North Allegheny School District

# SPLC, EAC and SAC Combined Meeting

March 25, 2021

*Preparing all students for success in a  
changing world*



# Agenda

- Welcome
- Incoming Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools
- COVID Update
- Back to School Planning Update and Activity
- Mental Health Panel
- 2021-2022 SPLC Member Information



# COVID Update

- [NA COVID-19 Tracker](#)
- Vaccination Update



# Back to School Planning Update

EAC Rep - Tennille Bunger

SAC Rep - Kay Dhingra

SPLC Rep - Sue Gaertner

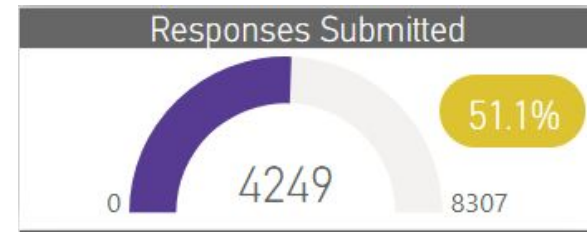
Goals for BTS Planning:

- ★ North Allegheny School District will maximize in-person learning, while providing a safe environment for students and staff.
- ★ North Allegheny School District will offer a flexible learning environment through the NA Cyber Academy.
- ★ North Allegheny School District will collaborate with the community to encourage two way communication and distribution of timely information.

# Survey Solicited 21-22 Enrollment Preference & Certainty

Back to School Interest Surveys were sent in early March to the following population, comprising 8,307 students:

- All currently enrolled students in grades K-11
- All pre K students (K students who are registered for the 2021-2022 school year) registered as of March 9th, 2021
- Responses were received on behalf of 4,249 students from this population (51.1% response rate).



# Most Respondents Prefer In-person Instruction

## Among all respondents...

- 94.4% (or 4,009 of 4,249) plan to return to in-person instruction this fall
- 87.1% (of all respondents) felt certain or fairly certain about their preference\*

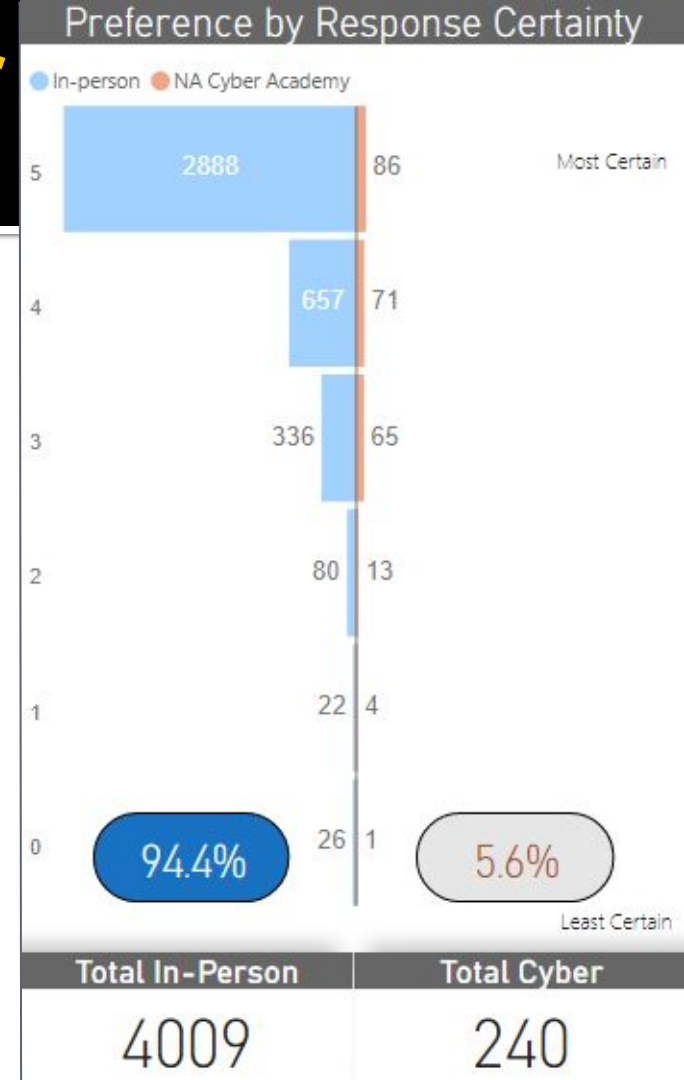
## Among the 94.4% of respondents preferring in-person instruction,

- 88.5% felt certain or fairly certain about their preference.

## Among the 5.6% of respondents preferring remote instruction,

- 65.4% felt certain or fairly certain about their preference.

\* (4-5 out of 5 on a scale from 0 to 5, where 0 = "uncertain" and 5 = "certain")



# Preference Breakdown by Grade

## Count

Grade	In-person	NA Cyber Academy	Grand Total
1	308	15	323
2	368	22	390
3	307	25	332
4	323	17	340
5	323	26	349
6	336	25	361
7	323	18	341
8	287	27	314
9	302	9	311
10	286	13	299
11	279	17	296
12	279	15	294
KG	288	11	299
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4009</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>4249</b>

## Proportion

Grade	In-person	NA Cyber Academy
1	95.36%	4.64%
2	94.36%	5.64%
3	92.47%	7.53%
4	95.00%	5.00%
5	92.55%	7.45%
6	93.07%	6.93%
7	94.72%	5.28%
8	91.40%	8.60%
9	97.11%	2.89%
10	95.65%	4.35%
11	94.26%	5.74%
12	94.90%	5.10%
KG	96.32%	3.68%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>94.35%</b>	<b>5.65%</b>

# Preference Breakdown by School

## Count

School	In-person	NA Cyber Academy	Grand Total
11-BWE	145	2	147
13-FES	247	4	251
14-HES	161	2	163
15-IES	185		185
16-MCK	322	3	325
17-PES	187		187
18-MES	263	4	267
23-CMS	251		251
24-IMS	204		204
25-MMS	293		293
33-NAI	486	1	487
35-NASH	470	2	472
40-NACA	795	222	1017
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4009</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>4249</b>

## Proportion

Grade	In-person	NA Cyber Academy
11-BWE	98.64%	1.36%
13-FES	98.41%	1.59%
14-HES	98.77%	1.23%
15-IES	100.00%	0.00%
16-MCK	99.08%	0.92%
17-PES	100.00%	0.00%
18-MES	98.50%	1.50%
23-CMS	100.00%	0.00%
24-IMS	100.00%	0.00%
25-MMS	100.00%	0.00%
33-NAI	99.79%	0.21%
35-NASH	99.58%	0.42%
40-NACA	78.17%	21.83%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>94.35%</b>	<b>5.65%</b>



# Current Communication Process

Monitor 14-day tracker, move building to remote

## Case Reported

Building Nurse

- Cases logged
- Consult with county (*if needed*)

## Contact Tracing

Lists Created

- Close contacts
- Contacts, but not close

## Lists / Letters Created

- 2-14 letters
- Average is 6 letters per case
- Cross reference lists for duplicates, unsubscribes, siblings, etc.

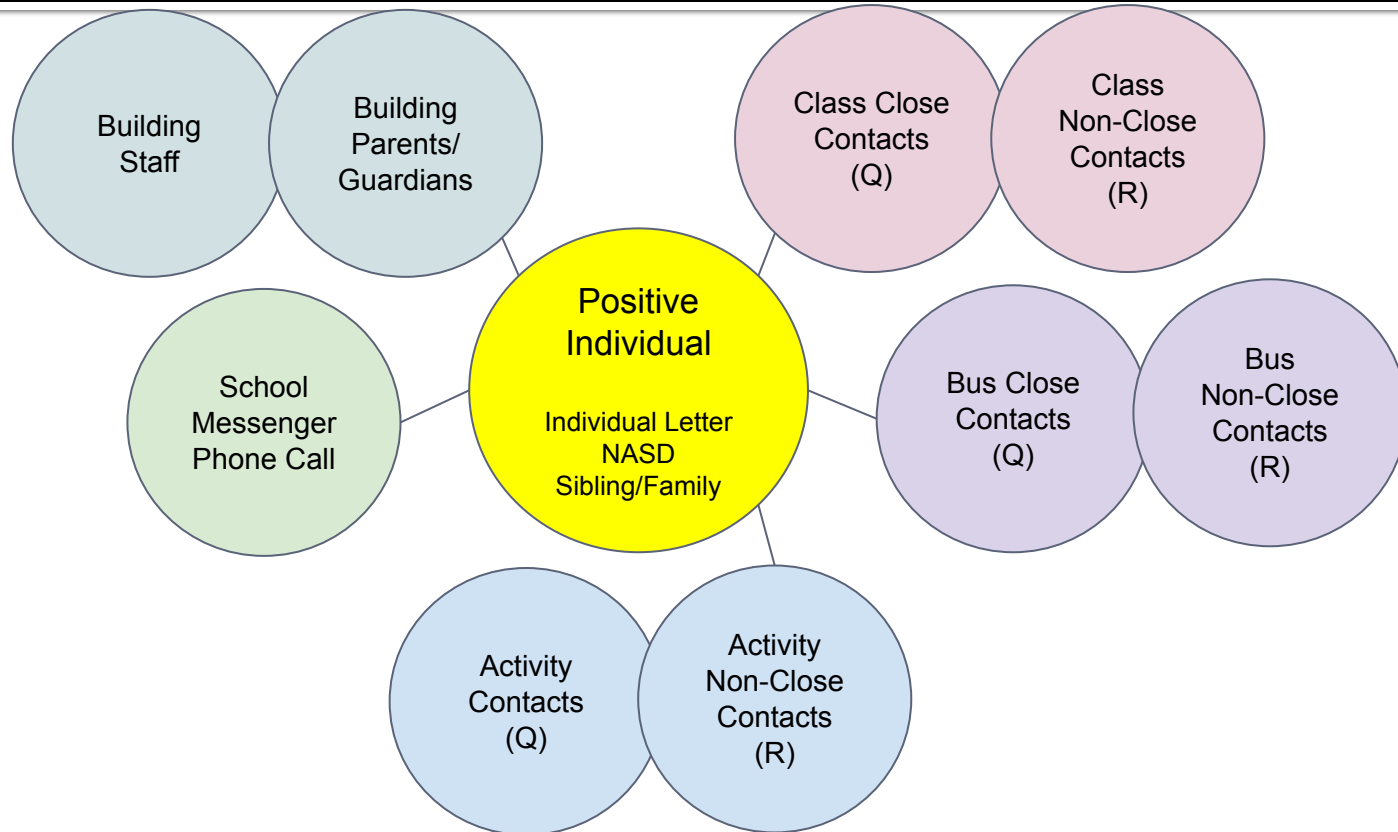
## Communications Distributed

Tracker Updated

- Emails
- School Messenger



# 2020-2021 Communication Process



# 2020-2021 - Letters & Lists

- 2-14+ Letters per case
- 2-14+ Email Lists per case
  - Student ID's
- 2-14+ Emails Sent per case
  - Using NASD Email, Constant Contact
- School Messenger
  - Phone Call(s)

Cases take  
between 3-10  
hours to  
contract trace  
and  
communicate



# 2021-2022 Communications Approach

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quarantine Letter (<i>general</i>)</li><li>• Call for Quarantine</li><li>• Update Tracker Daily</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individual Quarantine Letters (<i>class, bus, activity</i>)</li><li>• Call for Quarantine</li><li>• Update Tracker Daily</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quarantine Letter (<i>general</i>)</li><li>• Building Email</li><li>• Staff Email</li><li>• Call for Quarantine</li><li>• Update Tracker Daily</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quarantine Letter (<i>general</i>)</li><li>• Update Tracker Daily</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create your own!</li></ul>



# 2021-2022 Communications Approach

Item	Description
<b>Quarantine Letter (General)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You/your student have been identified as a close contact</li><li>• Close contact will be general - not specific to class, bus, activity</li><li>• Quarantine next steps</li></ul>
<b>Quarantine Letters (by class, bus, activity)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• You/your student have been identified as a close contact</li><li>• Close contact will be specific - class, bus, activity</li><li>• Quarantine next steps</li></ul>
<b>Staff Letter</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Someone in your building has tested positive for COVID-19</li><li>• Sent to staff</li></ul>
<b>Building Letter</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Someone in your student's building has tested positive for COVID-19</li><li>• Sent to parents/guardians</li></ul>
<b>Call</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Messenger call to parents/guardians of individuals that need to quarantine</li></ul>
<b>Tracker</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NASD COVID-19 Tracker</li></ul>





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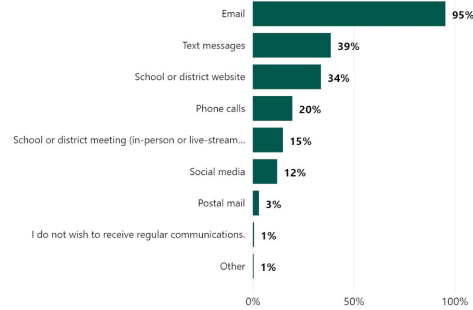
## Communication

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How would you prefer to receive regular communication related to COVID-19 (e.g., updates, policy changes) from [your/your child's school and NASD]? Please select all that apply.

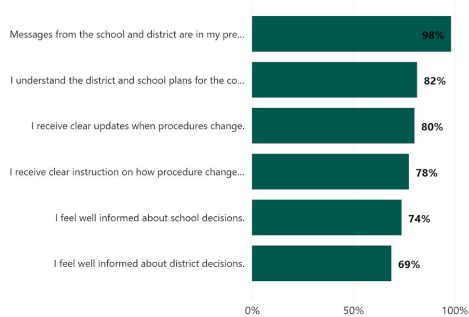
Admin Date ● 3/1/21



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Please say how much you disagree or agree with the following statements about school and district communications related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. (% Somewhat or Strongly Agree)

Admin Date ● 3/1/21

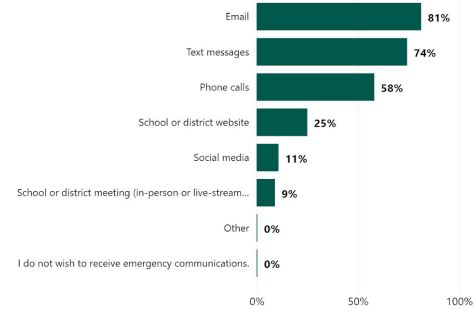


School Level	Student Program	Race
All	All	All
Staff Role	FRPL Status	Ethnicity
All	All	All
Admin Date	School	Stakeholder
All	All	All

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How would you prefer to receive emergency communication related to COVID-19 (e.g., emergency updates, policy changes) from [your/your child's school and NASD]? Please select all that apply.

Admin Date ● 3/1/21



# NASD COVID Communications Models for 2021-2022

## Option 1:

- Quarantine Letter (*general*)
- Phone call for Quarantine
- Update Tracker Daily

## Option 2:

- Individual Quarantine Letters (*class, bus, activity*)
- Phone call for Quarantine
- Update Tracker Daily



# NASD COVID Communications Models for 2021-2022

## Option 3:

- Quarantine Letter (*general*)
- Building Email
- Staff Email
- Phone call for Quarantine
- Update Tracker Daily

## Option 4:

- Quarantine Letter (*general*)
- Update Tracker Daily

## Option 5:

If you do not see one that fits, you can combine different models and/or create your own. Please name it.





# Mental Health Panel

Title of Event: Maximizing Student Success and Whole Family Wellness during the Pandemic and Beyond  
Date: April 12, 2021  
Time: 7 - 8:30 p.m.  
Forum: Google Meet Live Stream

## Goals:

1. Ensure families are able to recognize early warning signs of mental health.
2. Ensure families have a clear understanding of services provided to students and families.
3. Begin to break down the stigma associated with mental health support.
4. Normalize the need for mental health to respond to what students and families have experienced during the pandemic.
5. Maximize student success post-pandemic.



# Mental Health Panel

- ★ Bryan Kiggins, NASD Student Services Department Chair
- ★ Jackie Bishop, NASD School Social Worker
- ★ Maggie Caesar- Myers - Glade Run Director of Outpatient and School Based Services
- ★ Dr. Paula McCommons, STAR-Center Outreach and. Behavioral Health Liaison for Allegheny County Student Assistance Program
- ★ Stephanie Saikaly, BCBA, NASD Positive Behavior Support Specialist
- ★ Ana Radovic, MD, MSc, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine Center for Behavioral Health, Media, and Technology
- ★ Dr. Rameshwari V Tumuluru, University of Pittsburgh, Associate Professor of Psychiatry



# Nomination for 2021-2022 Members

- A nomination Google Form will be shared at the May 6, SPLC meeting.
- Anyone interested in representing their child's school will be asked to fill out the form by May 20, 2021.
- We will notify the Principal of your interest.
- In the summer, Principals verify SPLC members.
- Once all buildings have representation, we will send out an email to each member letting them know they have been listed as a member and have them verify that they are still interested.
- At that same time, we will notify you of the scheduled meeting dates for the year.



# Future 2020-2021 Meetings

## SPLC

April 23, 2021

May 6, 2021

## EAC

April 16, 2021

## SAC

Thursday, April 15

Virtual until further notice



Question and Answers - Please put  
your questions in the chat feature.

