

Q4 Briefly describe your greatest concern for the 2020-2021 school year related to COVID-19:

Responses from Superintendents

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Health and safety of students and staff, Spacing (6 ft. v. 3 ft.), devices, union agreement to conditions	7/16/2020 11:24 PM
2	In-person learning will be difficult due to the number of students, distancing guidelines, space constraints and transportation issues.	7/15/2020 11:50 PM
3	Transportation	7/15/2020 8:05 AM
4	transportation	7/13/2020 11:34 AM
5	Staff attendance and whether we can fully staff with the people we have without too many having to be out because they do not feel safe or because they get sick	7/13/2020 9:03 AM
6	All the social distancing rules and their enforcement with students.	7/12/2020 2:22 PM
7	I am concerned that the lack of firm guidance will create a situation where schools and districts are making poor decisions, which make the good decisions and social distancing protocols that some are following insignificant.	7/12/2020 9:26 AM
8	MTA lobbying, transportation, lunch, adequate staffing	7/9/2020 8:05 PM
9	Student and staff infection; contagion in the school setting.	7/9/2020 12:03 PM
10	Physical distancing and enforcement of student mask wearing.	7/9/2020 6:26 AM
11	Being able to accommodate all students given the fact that we will have various scenarios of students returning and students learning from home	7/8/2020 9:10 PM
12	Not having enough staff/space to achieve safe social distancing. Also, not having enough staff return to hold class.	7/8/2020 2:39 PM
13	Student Safety	7/8/2020 2:14 PM
14	If the COVID numbers increase and we have to go full remote again.	7/8/2020 11:06 AM
15	Ongoing closures	7/8/2020 10:37 AM
16	balancing the changing health information with the fears of our staff and community.	7/8/2020 10:09 AM
17	Full reopening and staying open	7/8/2020 9:16 AM
18	what the final plan for reopening schools will be and the time needed to successfully implement	7/8/2020 9:12 AM
19	Students being more than 3 feet apart	7/8/2020 9:02 AM
20	Proper social distancing not only in the classes but throughout the school day including transportation.	7/8/2020 8:48 AM
21	A re-emergence of the virus in our region	7/8/2020 8:34 AM
22	Safety of students and staff. Finding the balance between social emotional well-being and physical well-being is challenging given the number of "unknowns" that currently exist.	7/8/2020 6:54 AM
23	Busing, staffing, safety, PPE	7/8/2020 6:32 AM
24	Union	7/8/2020 6:32 AM
25	I am concerned that we don't return to school and we repeat the spring of 2020. Our children need for us to do all we can to ensure for face to face education and athletics.	7/7/2020 11:51 PM
26	Health and safety	7/7/2020 9:04 PM
27	The ability to have the space to socially distance students throughout the day and lack of solid DESE guidance on all aspects of operations.	7/7/2020 9:02 PM
28	Health and safety of students and staff	7/7/2020 8:09 PM
29	Ability to bring all students back to in person learning due lack of space for physical distancing. Also, number of staff who will not be able to work in-person.	7/7/2020 7:35 PM
30	Increase in COVID19 cases Impact on delivery of special education services Students with mental health & developmental disabilities Preschool students	7/7/2020 7:14 PM

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31	Transportation- Servicing students both in and out of school given the COVID guidelines.	7/7/2020 6:00 PM
32	Square footage of classrooms/staffing	7/7/2020 5:28 PM
33	Ensuring the health and safety of all while providing for student wellness and academic progress	7/7/2020 5:17 PM
34	Number of staff returning and funding for essential spacing, equipment, etc.	7/7/2020 5:15 PM
35	Meeting all DESE guidelines with available resources—working with an Association that appears to want to put up obstacles rather than to work together to achieve the best outcomes for everyone	7/7/2020 5:09 PM
36	Cohorting students to limit interactions	7/7/2020 4:50 PM
37	Tough question - I have many concerns...My primary concern is our ability to faithfully implement the safety guidelines and ensure everyone's safety (including the adults).	7/7/2020 4:39 PM
38	Our ability to provide students and staff safe, in-person, learning environments.	7/7/2020 4:13 PM
39	Maintaining safety and equity for all learners	7/7/2020 3:42 PM
40	We will be able to open PK to 8 but I believe we'll have to use a hybrid model for grades 9-12.	7/7/2020 3:37 PM
41	Details, details, details!	7/7/2020 3:04 PM
42	Providing a welcoming, safe, and healthy school environment for students and staff where the learning needs of the children can be addressed effectively. Not feeling confident that schools will be capable of implementing new state safety guidelines while also educating the students in an appropriate learning environment.	7/7/2020 2:42 PM
43	Providing transportation; serving lunch; a fall COVI-19 spike and another shutdown	7/7/2020 2:40 PM
44	implementation of safety requirements to ensure a safe return of all students and staff	7/7/2020 2:16 PM
45	HR employees issues returning to work and Mask wearing and distancing	7/7/2020 2:15 PM
46	Faculty returning and what their "conditions" or demands might be...	7/7/2020 1:58 PM
47	Students losing vital social skills as well as academic	7/7/2020 1:42 PM
48	ability to physical distance during in-person instruction. Staff Capacity	7/7/2020 1:41 PM
49	Keeping all students and staff safe and healthy	7/7/2020 1:41 PM
50	Staff and student safety	7/7/2020 1:32 PM
51	The rapidly changing medical advice and how that impacts our actions as member schools through the MIAA.	7/7/2020 1:14 PM
52	Concern that a hybrid model seems impractical.	7/7/2020 1:13 PM
53	We will be starting the year with a hybrid model- one week on and one week off	7/7/2020 1:10 PM
54	Transportation costs and availability	7/7/2020 1:10 PM
55	Keeping proper social distancing during the school day. Space is going to be a concern for us at the high school level along with parent / guardian anxiety not sending kids to school. Bussing is going to be a concern also for the district.	7/7/2020 12:49 PM
56	Too many to name!	7/7/2020 12:46 PM
57	We are overly populated without social distancing regulations. I am worried about accommodating all of the students that return, and I know that most of them--in this community--will return.	7/7/2020 12:44 PM
58	1. space. We are filled to the brim 2. parents who won't send their children to school but will expect the schools to educate 3. teachers' child care issues and the cost of FFCRA	7/7/2020 12:40 PM
59	I think a surge is likely and will force closure again.	7/7/2020 12:38 PM
60	Students loss of academic opportunities, paired with the potential for students to lose the components of school that are a critically important part of their development: the arts, sports,	7/7/2020 12:36 PM

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61	Transportation and fitting in all of the kids based on the classroom 3-foot rule	7/7/2020 12:33 PM
62	For sports: Contact sports, Overall: Getting kids back safely and transportation	7/7/2020 12:25 PM
63	Responding to symptomatic people (quarantining, closing school buildings, etc).	7/7/2020 12:21 PM
64	Funding for supplies required to successfully open.	7/7/2020 12:20 PM
65	The ability to social distance and control the spread of the virus	7/7/2020 12:19 PM
66	I'm unsure of what will happen as we continue to watch the surge across the nation and how this will ultimately affect all of us in Massachusetts. Also, we have a large percentage of staff potentially at greater risk for a variety of reasons, and I'm unsure as to how that will play itself out. With regards to athletics, I'm not sure how we can assure safety for the players, fans, or all of the adults linked to this process - ticket takers, coaches, family members, media representatives, supervisors, transportation members, etc. I am gravely concerned about sports reopening in our current conditions.	7/7/2020 12:16 PM
67	Funding and safety measures.	7/7/2020 12:14 PM
68	Our ability to maintain a safe and healthy environment for both staff and students.	7/7/2020 12:12 PM
69	Safety in returning. Both physical safety and emotional safety are critical.	7/7/2020 12:12 PM
70	The safe return of students, teachers, and staff.	7/7/2020 12:10 PM
71	Change in COVID climate (increased cases) and students being exposed causing schools to feel "unsafe".	7/7/2020 12:07 PM
72	Safety and well being of students.	7/7/2020 12:06 PM
73	That we will not get rid of the virus because people are refusing to accept how dangerous and contagious it is. They are going to parties, the beach, and are not wearing masks. This puts all of our students and staff in jeopardy.	7/7/2020 12:04 PM
74	That we have a surge of the virus in the fall or winter	7/7/2020 11:59 AM
75	Adequate space in classrooms. Teaching and learning in extremely structured classrooms.	7/7/2020 11:58 AM
76	Keeping to all safety guidelines and social distancing	7/7/2020 11:56 AM
77	transportation	7/7/2020 11:55 AM
78	costs related to COVID such as additional staff, space and bussing	7/7/2020 11:54 AM
79	Proximity of students and our ability to keep everyone in school and safe at the same time	7/7/2020 11:54 AM
80	Transportation School space	7/7/2020 11:53 AM
81	safety	7/7/2020 11:49 AM
82	Bringing too many students back into the building at one time with staff will trigger an uptick and quarantines within our school system.	7/7/2020 11:48 AM
83	Keeping everyone safe.	7/7/2020 11:47 AM
84	Having all my faculty & staff return along with attendance concerns for students	7/7/2020 11:47 AM
85	I worry that a resurgence will cause us to return to remote learning.	7/7/2020 11:45 AM
86	I have real concerns about running any sports programs for next year especially contact sports.	7/7/2020 11:43 AM
87	Being able to have the space and staff to safely accommodate a full reentry. We are obviously concerned with the health and well-being of our student but all that of our staff, especially the more veteran staff and those with preexisting conditions.	7/7/2020 11:38 AM
88	Small classrooms size and limited transportation capacity will lead to a hybrid model at best, which will create obstacles for kids practicing sports after school.	7/7/2020 11:38 AM
89	A local, regional, or state uptick in COVID-19 cases	7/7/2020 11:37 AM
90	Our greatest concerns are logistics related to the high school. With 1500 students it will be	7/7/2020 11:36 AM

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challenging to schedule and transition students between classes as a cohort model is not the norm. Additionally, specialists, related service providers, athletics and extracurriculars also remain areas of concern.

91	The ability to reopen school. If we reopen being forced into a hybrid or full remote model	7/7/2020 11:35 AM
92	How a hybrid model influences our abilities to affect teaching and learning	7/7/2020 11:35 AM
93	Costs, space requirements, staffing	7/7/2020 11:34 AM
94	Classroom space.	7/7/2020 11:33 AM
95	3 resources, physical, monetary and human. We are lacking in these at this time under the constraints.	7/7/2020 11:33 AM
96	Transportation and students with medical issues	7/7/2020 11:33 AM
97	Keeping kids distanced during the school day and staff agreeing to return to work.	7/7/2020 11:33 AM
98	Health and safety of students and staff.	7/7/2020 11:33 AM
99	That we will get another spike which would close schools again.	7/7/2020 11:32 AM
100	extra currirular activities, elective courses such as band, cohorus, food	7/7/2020 11:30 AM
101	Having to close again. Having our school be a "hot spot" of transmission.	7/7/2020 11:30 AM
102	If athletics are to proceed, I'm not feeling we can assure that there's appropriate social distancing, etc. that can occur for most programs	7/7/2020 11:29 AM
103	Staff return to campus - union	7/7/2020 11:29 AM
104	health and safety of kids and reducing the spread of the virus	7/7/2020 11:27 AM
105	Getting students in the building and learning in-persno	7/7/2020 11:26 AM
106	Ensuring that we can get the students and staff in the buildings, all the while keeping them all safe.	7/3/2020 6:02 AM