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## Memorandum Item 8a

FOR: School Board Members

FROM: Chris Reitan DATE: April 28, 2021

SUBJECT: CCSD Smart Start to School Guidelines

The CCSD School Board approved the CCSD Smart Start to School Guidelines during the August 25, 2020 Board meeting and adjusted it during the September 23, 2020, October 28, 2020, December 9, 2020, January 27, 2021, February 24, 2021, and March 15, 2021 Board meetings.

The CCSD School Board has reviewed the CCSD Smart Start to School Guidelines as a regular monthly agenda item so that the District can adjust the plan as necessary based on new information and so that the public has ample opportunity to provide public comments to help improve the district's guidelines.

I am recommending the following adjustments to the plan based on the CDC Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools Through Phased Prevention that was updated on March 12, 2021 as well as to clean up some language that is obsolete and adjust some language for greater clarity.

- Page 3 under Red Instructional Delivery add the following language, "CCSD student attendance policies will be relaxed due to the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure CCSD is following CDC health guidelines."
- Page 4 under Yellow Conditions for Learning add the following language, "Large group gatherings are permitted such as assemblies or student school activities. Per CDC Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools Through Phased Prevention Updated March 19, 2021, 3-feet of social distancing is required between all students and cloth face coverings are required. All students are to be temperature screened prior to the event either at the start of the school day if the event is scheduled during the regular school day or before the event begins depending if the event is scheduled during after school hours."
- Page 4 under Yellow Conditions for Learning add the following language, Per CDC Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools Through Phased Prevention Updated March 19, 2021, nonessential visitors and volunteers shall be limited. Visitors and volunteers will be permitted upon approval, on a case-by-case basis, when the use of volunteers is essential for the safety and supervision of students (i.e. outdoor field trips). All visitors and volunteers will be temperature screened and are required to wear masks when working directly with staff and students and six feet social distancing cannot be maintained.
- Page 5 under Yellow Conditions for Learning delete the following language, "Utilization of desk guards in all classrooms with 12 or more students."

- Page 6 under Continuity of Learning delete the following language, "CCSD will provide certified staff voluntary, paid time from August 17-21, 2020 to develop instructional plans, procedures, and management tools for CCSD to seamlessly transition between low, intermediate, and high risk scenarios during the 2020-2021 school year."
- Page 8 under Health and Safety Protocols delete the following language, "Unvaccinated students and staff will not return to school for five days after interstate travel."
- Page 8 9 under Health and Safety Protocols add the following language to clarify CCSD's guidelines for staff and students who travel outside of the state.
  - All staff and students older than 10 should be tested at the Ketchikan Airport upon return to Alaska or have a negative COVID test within 72 hours of departure into Alaska.
  - Unvaccinated staff and students cannot return to school for five days after travel outside of Alaska that is longer than 72 hours and negative test results are received. They may return to school after the five days as long as they remain symptom free.
  - It is recommended that staff and students receive a follow-up COVID test 5-14 days after arrival.
  - Fully vaccinated staff and students should be tested at the Ketchikan Airport upon return to Alaska or have a negative COVID test within 72 hours of departure into Alaska. Fully vaccinated staff and students can return to school immediately as long as they are symptom free.
  - If unvaccinated staff or students do not get a test at the Ketchikan Airport or within 72 hours of departure into Alaska, they must stay home for 10 days. They may return to school when it has been 10 days and remain symptom free.

Suggested Motion: Move to approve the CCSD Smart Start to School Guidelines as presented.