

## **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ESSER III) REQUIRED REPORTING**

As recipients of funding associated with the American Rescue Plan (commonly referred to as ESSER III), Paladin is required to report a Safe Return to In-Person Learning plan on our district website. This plan has been developed with community input, and must be posted prior to June 21, 2021 within 30 days of receiving the ESSER III award. The purpose of this plan is to “maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.”

Northwest Passage High School posted its original NWPHS Safe Learning Plan outlining its adaptation of the Minnesota Department of Education Safe Learning Plan in August, 2020. Community members representing NWPHS’s various advisory committees were invited to provide commentary about the drafted plan during the summer of 2020.

District representatives had the opportunity to submit public comments to the NWPHS Leadership Team and at school board meetings leading up to and occurring throughout the 20-21 school year. Board Meeting minutes include summaries of comments related to health and safety of students on campus. The NWPHS Safe Learning Plan continues to be updated with the most current guidance from the Minnesota Departments of Health and Education. Public comment from community members is maintained on proposed revisions.

The NWPHS School Board heard any further public comments regarding the Safe Return to In-Person Learning plan at their regularly scheduled Board Meeting on June 15, 2021 at 6:30 am. If the public has any further comment beyond that date, they can contact Director Peter Wiczorek at [pwiczorek@nwphs.org](mailto:pwiczorek@nwphs.org)