



**Town of Bedford**  
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## Superintendent Update

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Friday, February 5, 2021

Hello Bedford School Community,

### FY22 School Budget Update

This week was an important week as we look towards the 2021-2022 school year and therefore the FY22 Budget. On Tuesday night the school committee approved a three tiered request for FY22 that was shared with the Finance Committee on Thursday night. For more information about the budget please visit [Our FY22 Information](#)

### Community Forum, Wednesday February 10, 2021

The Town of Bedford will be holding a virtual community forum at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, to provide information on the Town's response to Covid-19 and answer questions from residents. The forum will take place over Zoom.

### Pool Testing

I am happy to report the district has been accepted to the DESE Pool Testing protocol and have been matched with CIC Health in Cambridge. We are working with them to prepare all of our documents for families and will have more information available to you soon. The pool testing protocol will allow all those who volunteer for the program to be tested as part of a pool on a weekly basis. The protocol also includes procedures if a pool of tests comes back with a positive result. We are excited to be able to add this seventh safety protocol to our health and safety protocols within our schools.

### Community COVID-19 Dashboard

The Bedford Board of Health Bedford COVID-19 Dashboard contains data related to case counts, active/recovered cases, case demographics and school case data. The majority of the data on the Dashboard will be updated Monday through Friday, with some data tables and charts updated on a weekly basis. We invite you to view the new dashboard here: [www.bedfordma.gov/covid-stats](http://www.bedfordma.gov/covid-stats)

### Teaching Assistants, Educational Assistants and Building Substitutes Needed

If you would be interested in joining the Bedford Public Schools as a teaching assistant, an educational assistant, or a building based substitute please check out our openings on our website at [BPS HR Website](http://BPS HR Website) and thank you!

### Technology

If you have questions about this or any other technology issue or concerns please contact [tech\\_support@bedfordps.org](mailto:tech_support@bedfordps.org)

As always, thank you for your patience, your participation, and your continued commitment to our schools.

Wishing you continued health,

Sincerely,

Philip Conrad  
Superintendent