

Superintendent Monthly Report

General Updates: December 14, 2021

Fall Achievement Data

This month we will review our local assessment data generated in the fall. As expected, the percentage of students achieving proficiency rate is low. The administrative team is reviewing data to look for trends and help identify students in need of additional intervention. COVID mitigation strategies continue to impact learning. However, we are fortunate to have an in-person learning model. The winter assessment results will help us identify growth within individual students and at grade levels, which is scheduled for January 17-28.

Sports

Basketball and Cheerleading season is underway. The basketball coach reported a record number of students that participated in tryouts for boys basketball. Students are excited to be active again. The CIAC and DPH COVID guidelines are going to allow students to participate in events without masks after the winter break. Students will be required to wear masks at all other times. These guidelines are subject to change.

Our conference has elected to only allow spectators from home teams to attend events. The adjustment will help reduce crowd capacity at our schools.

Transportation

As previously reported three school buses have been placed out of service due to significant mechanical issues or rust. Bus 28 has been permanently taken out of service and unregistered due to rust. Bus 30 has been out of service due to significant mechanical issues, however, as of December 8 it has also been permanently taken out of service due to rust. Even buses that are out of service are subject to DMV inspections. During a DMV inspection this week, it was determined that the integrity of the frame was too compromised the rust issue.

On November 30, the Board of Selectmen moved forward our request for two additional school buses. On December 8, the Board Finance also approved our request and a motion was made to send the request to referendum, which is scheduled _____. These buses are a critical need for the district.

FY 23 Budget

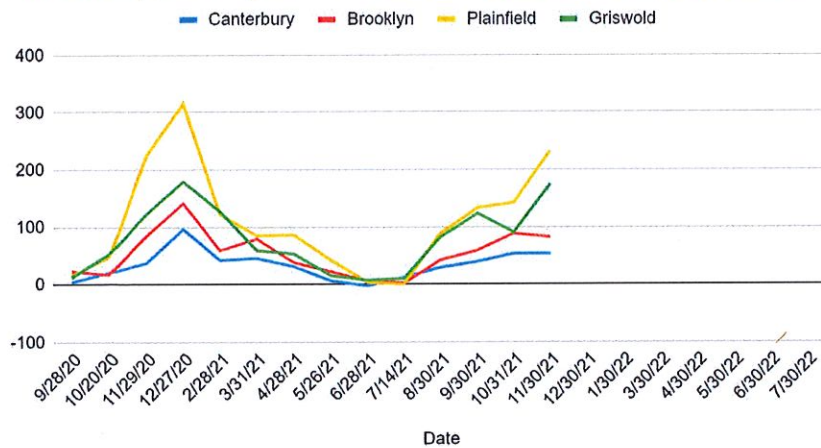
The budget season for next school year has officially started. The district has created a budget manual for administrators, which has been shared with the Board. As we begin planning for the next budget season the Board will need to identify dates to meet as a whole committee. I would recommend January 18, January 25, February 16, and February 23. These dates will provide enough time for administration to make adjustments based on Board feedback and also allow time in case a snow date is needed.

Covid Rate

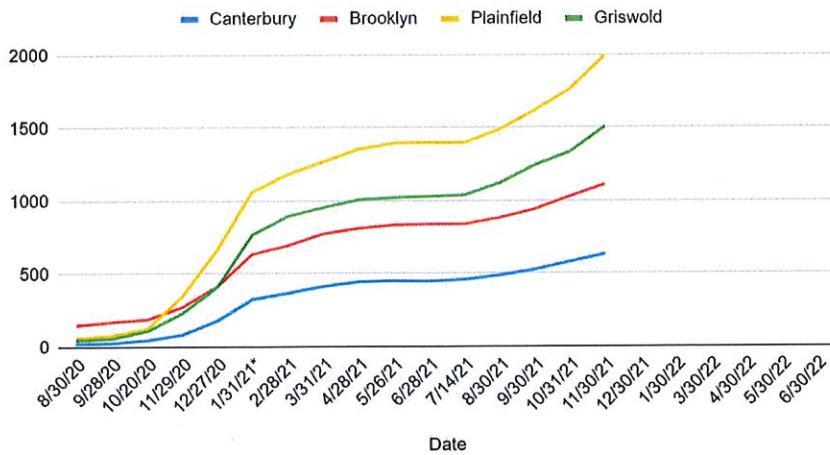
COVID rates in northeast Connecticut continue to rise at a significant rate. CES had several cases this week which have impacted staffing levels, and as a result, all preschool sections were closed for three days.

With the availability for students to be vaccinated, we hope to see a decrease in cases moving into the winter months. Below are the updated tables reflecting total cases and the number of monthly cases.

Canterbury, Brooklyn, Plainfield and Griswold - Monthly Rates



Canterbury, Brooklyn, Plainfield and Griswold - Total Cases



Estimated Number of COVID Cases Per Monthly - September 2020 through November 2021

Date	Canterbury	Brooklyn	Plainfield	Griswold
9/28/20	4	23	16	12
10/20/20	20	17	47	52
11/29/20	37	84	224	122
12/27/20	96	141	315	179
1/31/21*	147	221	397	357
2/28/21	42	59	122	127
3/31/21	45	79	85	59
4/28/21	31	38	86	53
5/26/21	6	22	42	15
6/28/21	-3	5	3	7
7/14/21	12	2	0	10
8/30/21	29	42	89	82
9/30/21	39	59	133	123
10/31/21	53	88	142	90
11/30/21	53	82	232	174