

The Watershed School

Academic Policy Committee
Agenda for April 15, 2021 6:00 PM

- 1) **Review minutes**
- 2) **Head teacher update**
 - a. Lottery
 - b. APC Elections
 - c. Questions
- 3) **Public Testimony**
- 4) **Action Item**
 - a. Start of 2021-22 SY Proposal (below)
- 5) **Next Meeting:**
- 6) **Adjourn**

*Watershed Charter School is preparing to fully return to in-person learning for the **2021-2022 school year**. With our community's frontline workers, elders, school staff, and general public (ages 16+) now eligible to receive the Covid-19 vaccination, we anticipate reaching the low-moderate threshold of community transmission, per CDC guidelines, that would allow for the resumption of in-person learning for the standard 6.5-hour school day/5 days per week for all students. Mitigation strategies outlined in CDC's k-12 operational strategies will continue to be prioritized for in person learning.*

*Watershed, and the rest of the FNSBSD, **will not offer remote learning** as a school option for the 2021-2022 school year. Watershed encourages families wanting alternatives to in-person instruction to withdraw from the school and enroll in in the district's homeschool (BEST) or e-learning programs.*

Exceptions may be considered for extenuating circumstances to help families who are dealing with documented health concerns that put a family member temporarily in a higher risk category. Exceptions must be approved in advance or appealed by the Watershed APC and may include:

- *Watershed Charter School will reserve slots in the school for currently enrolled students who must withdraw from Watershed due to documented Covid-19 related health risks of in-person learning to themselves or family members living within the same household.*
- *Families may appeal the 25-day absence policy to be approved by Watershed APC as already stated in our parent policy agreement.*