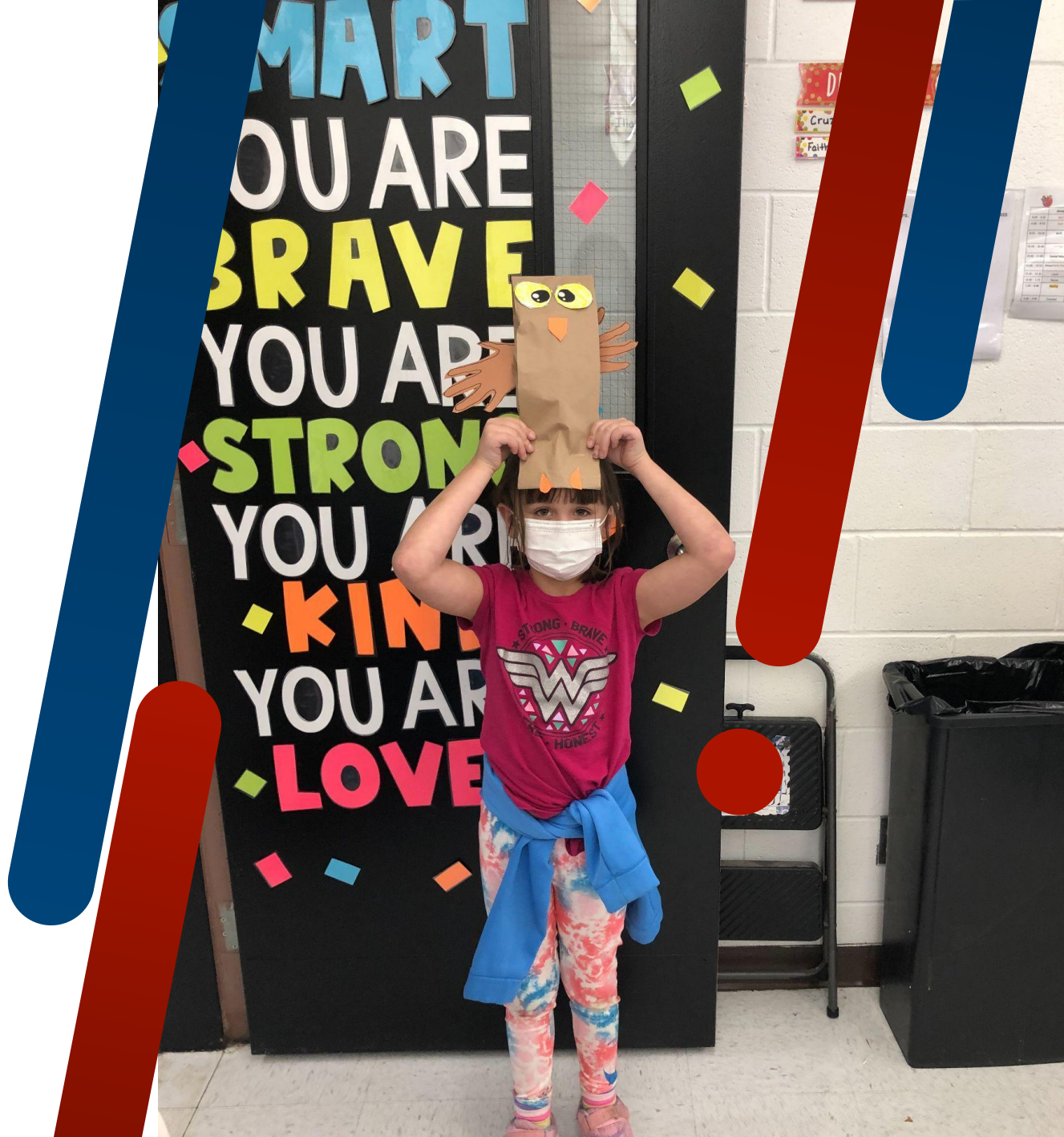


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Community Update October 2021

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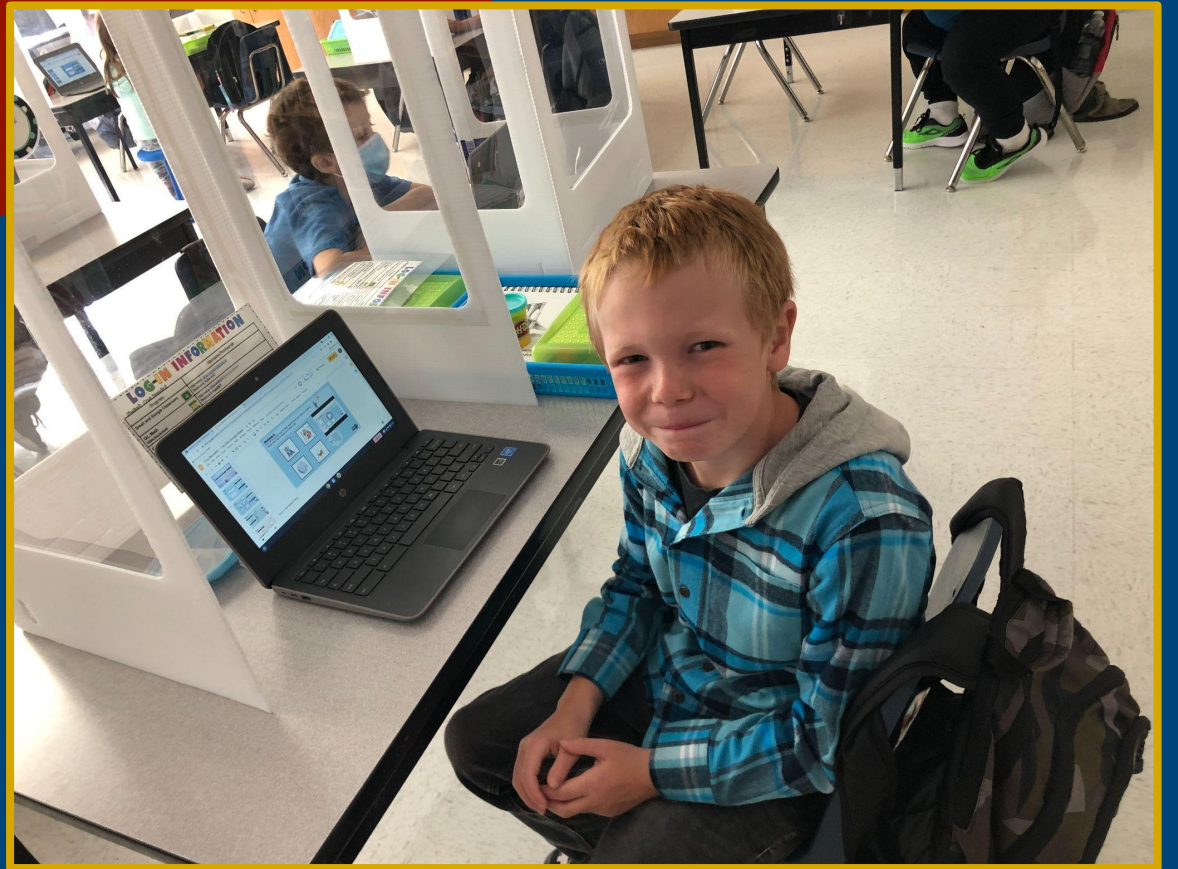
Safety is Our 1st Priority



***It is important to note that AMBE is proactive in monitoring and closing classes as required. To date there has been no spread of Covid within the schools.**



AMBE schools have smaller class sizes for all students and we are providing classrooms with desk shields and extra PPE.



Parent Support

Treating Everyone with Kindness

We realize that it is not easy for families to navigate the changes due to covid protocols. Everyone is doing their best to understand all of the requirements for isolation and return to school. Each case is different and we ask that everyone be patient while we consult with health experts. This partnership will help us keep everyone safe and allow learning to continue. Together we can close the gaps that were the result of the closure caused by the global pandemic.





AMBE Protocol

Update

AMBE consults with Community Health and values their guidance as we are educators not medical experts. We will ask families to keep children home until they can be cleared to return by Community Health.

We ask that if children are sick they remain home and the parents consult with Community Health.

Children should only return once Community Health clears the child of isolation protocols.

We are asking based on the Covid Screening Tool that if someone in the household is sick or been directed to isolate that all household members remain home until directed otherwise by Community Health.

Each case is unique so the protocols for isolation can vary.



AMBE PPE

Update

In consultation with Health and the Ministry it was recommended that everyone wear the 3 ply disposable masks as these provide better protection and can be changed throughout the day.

AMBE is providing masks at school for students and staff.

We also provide shields for students and staff

Parents who want their child(ren) to wear a cloth mask may do so but they must also wear a shield for extra protection.

We continue to provide opportunities for social distanced mask breaks.

Examining Our Options

AMBE contacted families to discuss the Options listed below:

1. HS to Gr. 2 at school 3-5 days
2. Gr. 3-8 Hybrid (2 days in school and 2 days online)
3. Continue with everyone in-school
4. Reduce days in school (Mondays off for weekend tracing)

Survey Results

92% of the Families voted for remaining in-person 5 days (regular)

8% of Families voted for online only as a 1st choice

In reviewing the safety measures in place and the benefits of having children in school, it was decided that AMBE will continue in-person learning for the time being.

We will monitor closely and collaborate with Health. Children from K5 to Grade 8 all have access to Chromebooks and staff are ready should we need to transition.

lohahi:io Updates

Classes continue to be offered onsite.

Screening protocols are in place and PPE is required by students and staff.

Classes are small and dividers, desk shields and face masks are available.

lohahi:io is prepared should they need to transition to remote learning.

Students attending lohahi:io were also offered laptops if needed.

To date lohahi:io has had no closures in the Post Secondary programs offered onsite.

lohahi:io has just launched the new welding program cohort onsite as well.

Child Care Updates

Child Care continues to increase capacity at each center.

Staffing is a challenge as ministry guidelines require specific numbers of staff and with isolation protocols, we do not always have enough staff to increase capacity.

Rapid self testing has begun for all non-vaccinated staff.

Child Care is in-compliance with all licensing requirements.

Please do not send your child if anyone is sick in your household as we know how important this service is for working families and we are striving to remain open.

Zero 2 Six program continues to offer remote services to families.

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Parents & Families

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