

Friday, July 30th, 2021



Sara



Discussed and opened the call with. . .

- Deep breaths
- In planning for the upcoming year, it is helpful to start by asking what you want for the 2021-22 school year and identify the strategies that will help you get there.
- While it is not possible to please everyone with a single plan, communication with stakeholders about decisions and reasons for those decisions will go a long way.

Rob



Discussed litigation considerations. . .

- What to expect and how to address each step of a lawsuit.
- It is important for districts to tie decisions to educational reasons, especially when diverting from recommended guidance.

Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value. -Albert Einstein

Shane



Discussed vaccines and labor implications. . .

- While districts can require employees to be vaccinated, this issue must be bargained and medical and religious exemptions must be allowed.
- An alternative to mandating vaccinations is to incentivize employees to get vaccinated.

Cassie



Discussed new laws to be aware of. . .

- HB 40 and HB 2748 were signed by the Governor this week expanding eligibility for special education services for some students beyond 22.
- The Governor recently signed into law a requirement that districts provide contact information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the Crisis Text Line on the back of each student ID card issued by the school district, or on its website if the district does not issue ID cards to some or all of its students.
- It is anticipated the Governor will sign bills requiring unstructured play time for students in K-5, as well as changes to requirements regarding time out and restraint, both of which will go into effect upon becoming law

Darcy



Discussed common questions and issues regarding the return to school . . .

- While districts can ask for student vaccination status, parents may not be required to provide this information, however, in these instances students will be considered unvaccinated for purposes of quarantine.
- Districts should use progressive discipline practices when students refuse to wear masks.
- Check out our client portal for forms addressing mask exemption requests and homebound instruction requests.

Register for next Friday's call: Bit.ly/KBFridayRecap

See you next week. On Friday, August, 6th. 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Zoom Registration: Bit.ly/KBFridayRecap

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