

January 28, 2022

**HFM BOCES school superintendents support “Pathway to Normalcy.”**

Honorable Kathy Hochul  
Governor of New York State

Commissioner Mary T. Bassett, MD, MPH  
New York State Department of Health

Dear Governor Hochul and Commissioner Bassett,

The superintendents of the Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES fully endorse the letter released by our colleagues in the WSWHE BOCES on January 27, 2022. ([View Pathway to Normalcy letter here](#))

We support the two main points cited in their letter - creating a *Roadmap on Masking and Seeing the Whole Student* when considering mitigation restrictions currently in place.

We urge state leaders to consider these points and work with us to ensure the physical and social-emotional health of all our students.

Sincerely,

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