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Ms. Pompei,

Thank you for inviting us to review Richmond Consolidated School's Reopening Plan and to tour the facility. The involvement of key school personnel, Board of Health members, and a neighboring school district's Director of Building Operations is a testament to the school's commitment to providing a safe environment for staff and students. The school's Reopening Plan is detailed, well-thought out, and safety-focused.

The attached evaluation focuses on important components for reopening with a brief summary of the MA Department of Elementary & Secondary Education's Reopening Guidance for each component, a brief summary of the school's reopening plan for that component, evaluation of the school's plan from an infection prevention perspective, and finally infection prevention recommendation to consider incorporating into your plan. Both the evaluation and the recommendation were reviewed by two Infection Preventionists who are certified in Infection Prevention & Control

After reviewing the school's plan, I have identified no infection prevention issues which would impact the safety of your school's environment. I encourage you to remain vigilant in monitoring for changes to the MA Department of Elementary & Secondary Education's Guidance so that revisions can be made to your school's plan as needed.

Sincerely,

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