



## Selinsgrove Area School District

### School Board Resolution Regarding Local Decision Making

WHEREAS, the Selinsgrove Area School District (“District”) is a public school district within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania dedicated to providing its students with a quality, comprehensive, and safe educational learning environment; and

WHEREAS, the District envisions its purpose as being a student-centered organization where everyone shares in the commitment to the education and development of each student; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors of the District (“Board”) believes, to the fullest extent possible, that school districts should be controlled at the local level; and

WHEREAS, consistent with this belief, the District is consistently engaged in efforts with its stakeholders to establish and maintain a student-centered approach within its Health and Safety Plan, in conjunction with the District’s overall plan for operations while utilizing data in its community to make informed decisions; and

WHEREAS, from the Board’s perspective, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through its respective Department of Health (PADoH) and Department of Education (PDE), has established orders, mandates, and associated guidance without full and complete consultation from local decision-makers; and

WHEREAS, from the Board’s perspective, this lack of an informed communicative approach with local decision-makers from the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Pennsylvania Department of Education continues to cause confusion and unnecessary hardship to the District, the community, and most importantly the students; and

WHEREAS, given the impact of the actions taken and guidance generated by the Governor, the Acting Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, full and complete consultation with and input from local decision-makers prior to state action regarding the potential impact of such orders, mandates, and guidance is paramount to the process and the ability of local decision-makers to obtain community consensus and buy-in needed to implement the decisions that are in the best interest of the community, and most importantly the students.

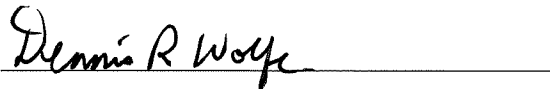
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the District is committed to continuing to take and implement all reasonable measures to ensure the comprehensive health and safety of the entire school district community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Selinsgrove Area School District is officially notifying the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that its desire for local decision-making must be heard and

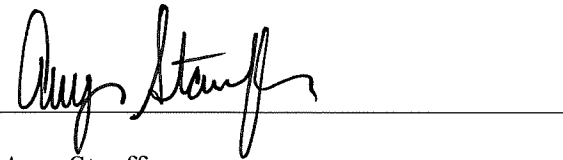
respected in order for its school district community to continue to work toward achieving its mission, vision, and community's shared values.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2021

Signed,

Handwritten signature of Dennis R. Wolfe in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Dennis R. Wolfe  
School Board President

Handwritten signature of Amy Stauffer in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Amy Stauffer  
School Board Vice President