Basic Detail Report

Title Interview with Ilisse Gomez

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Description Interview with Ilisse Gomez. Interviewed by Viktoria Stosrowko on 8 June 2022 at New Britain High School, 110 Mill St., New Britain. She was interviewed as part of the Connecticut Historical Society's Community History Project discussing her experience during the COVID-19 Pandemic. At the time of the interview Ilisse Gomez was a teacher at New Britain High School. She recalled first hearing about Covid from her students, but was unsure of what they were talking about because she did not frequently watch the news. Ilisse loved remote learning because she felt that it was similar to how college operates and it helped prepare students for college. She supported mask mandates and believes that vaccines are beneficial. Ilisse felt that masks helped prevent her from getting sick during covid and that the vaccine reduced the severity of covid when she did catch it. Ilisse’ s mental health did not suffer during the pandemic because she thrives on being alone. When asked to describe the pandemic in one word, Ilisse chose “relieved” because she was calm during the pandemic. Her advice to people experiencing a future pandemic was to gain a better understanding of their mental health situation and get resources beforehand.

Dimensions Duration: 9 Minutes, 40 Seconds