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Applicant: 05 0830 Chesterfield Township - Burlington

ARP Safe Return Plan ▼

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Cycle: Original Application

Project Period: 9/1/2021 - 8/31/2022

SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION

(1) IN GENERAL - A local educational agency receiving funds under this section shall develop and make publicly available on the local educational agency's website, not later than 30 days after receiving the allocation of funds described in paragraph (d) (1), a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services.

2) COMMENT PERIOD.—Before making the plan described in paragraph (1) publicly available, the local educational agency shall seek public comment on the plan and take such comments into account in the development of the plan.

Support for Schools: Describe how the LEA will support its schools in safely returning to in-person instruction and sustaining safe operation. This description must include:

For each mitigation strategy listed below, please describe how the LEA will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

LEA Response Table

1) Universal and correct wearing of masks

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When required for health reasons, students and staff will wear a mask upon entering the school bus and maintain the face covering during the duration of the bus run and throughout the school day. Students will maintain a face covering throughout the school day unless otherwise directed by the classroom teacher. Larger indoor spaces and outdoor spaces will be used to mitigate the impact during snack time.

If face coverings are not required for health reasons, masks will continue to be optional for students and staff in the building and on school buses. The Chesterfield Township School District will follow all health guidelines and adjust when/if necessary changes are required. Masks will be available as needed.

Signage will be posted throughout the school building if masks are required for health reasons showing proper uses of masks.

2) Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding)

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

If there is a social distancing requirement, students will adhere to the 3 feet of social

distance in the classroom setting to the maximum extent practicable. Also, all students must maintain 3-6 feet of social distance in the lunchroom/cafeteria setting to the maximum extent practicable. Larger spaces may be provided as an extra layer of safety at lunch or for the classroom when appropriate social distancing cannot be maintained. The school district may utilize student cohorts as a mitigation measure. Signage will be posted throughout the school building and grounds to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

3) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The Chesterfield Township School District will prepare and maintain hand sanitizing stations with alcohol-based hand sanitizers (at least 60% alcohol). Such stations are located as follows:

- o In each classroom. For classrooms that have existing handwashing stations, stations will be supplied with soap, water, and alcohol-based hand sanitizers (at least 60% alcohol).
- o Near the cafeteria and bathrooms.
- o At entrances and exits of the building.

In coordination with classroom teachers, the building principal, or designee, shall develop a school-wide plan where students are required to wash hands for at least twenty seconds at regular intervals during the school day and always before and after eating, and after using the bathroom. Hand sanitizers should be applied after use of the playground equipment, after physical education classes, and after blowing their nose, coughing, and/or sneezing.

Signage will be provided with appropriate handwashing and hand sanitizing guidelines.

4) Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

All indoor locations have adequate ventilation, including operational heating and ventilation systems where appropriate. Recirculated air must have a fresh air component. Ionized scrubbers have been installed on all ventilation fans. Air filter must be maintained and changed according to manufacturer recommendations. The unit cleaning schedule will be established through the Business Office.

Each classroom will be cleaned nightly with a disinfectant fogger. Throughout the school day, staff will provide additional cleaning in bathrooms and high touch areas, whenever possible. Specific cleaning schedules will be established with the building principal and business administrator. Every school bus, either district-owned or contracted, should be cleaned and disinfected daily. High touch services will be wiped between morning and afternoon bus runs.

5) Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Contact tracing will be conducted as required for health reasons.

An isolation room will be used for presumptive positive cases. Students and staff with symptoms will be safely and respectfully isolated from others. Students will remain in isolation with continued supervision and care until picked up by an authorized adult. Continuous monitoring of symptoms will be completed and documented. If used for a

presumptive case, the isolation will be fogged and cleaned upon the exit of the presumptive case.

Follow-up communication with the Burlington County Department of Health may be necessary to ensure adequate isolation /quarantine timelines are adhered to and that all documentation is obtained to allow a recovered staff member or student to return to the building.

6) Diagnostic and screening testing

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The district will conduct diagnostic testing and screenings as required for health reasons. The district will contract with a vender to conduct the testing.

7) Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Through ongoing communication and collaboration with local sites, all staff will be provided the opportunity to receive vaccinations at the school. Ongoing communication with local pharmacies and vaccination sites regarding availability of vaccines in the area will continue. Information for student vaccinations will be made available through district and building newsletters.

8) Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Accommodations will be provided for classified students who require additional safety measures such as the inability to wear a face covering. These accommodations will be outlined in each child's IEP as applicable. Alternative PPE as well as additional PPE, such as a face shield, is provided for the child and staff member working directly with the student.

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Safe Return Plan text and assurances must be agreed to every six months.

Date Plan Updated

Describe how the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

All students enrolled in the Chesterfield Township School District returned to the classroom setting in the Fall 2021. Students were eligible to attend in person 5 days a week for full instructional days. To address learning loss and academic difficulties, support services have been expanded for our summer programs for all students who may be in need of additional support and interventions as identified by data analysis, faculty, and administration. Additional mental health professional development and resources continue to be provided to staff and students. Mental health activities are infused PD days. A tiered approach to services is provided to all students.

Describe how the LEA sought public comment on its plan, and how it took those public comment into account in the development of its plan. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The plan has been posted on the district website and a link has been provided for any individual to provide comment. The plan is available to parents in languages other than English upon request. Translated documents will be provided on the district website. Public comment can also be made at BOE meetings.

Describe how the LEA ensured that the plan is in an understandable and uniform format; is to the extent practicable written in a language that parents can understand or, if not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, will be orally translated for such a parent; and upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, will be provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The plan is written in English and is developed in a clear format for the reader. The letter can be made available in other languages upon request. If requested, the plan can be read to a parent in any language through the district's translation service.

Briefly describe any guidance, professional learning, and technical assistance opportunities the LEA will make available to its schools. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The district continues to support the staff in relevant training and will continue to seek out opportunities for the staff as needed.

Provide current link to the district's website where the plan is posted.

☒ By checking this box and saving the page, the applicant hereby certifies that they will assure that the information contained in the Safe Return to School plans will be updated within this system every 6 months during this grant project period.

Assurances Fully Agreed to By: