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## 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.

<u>Support for Schools:</u> 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 ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

For the 2022-2023 school year, the wearing of masks is optional for students or staff that choose to wear a mask. No student or staff member will be penalized for going beyond the requirements for their own personal use.

2) Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding) ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

For the 2022-2023 school year, the school district has returned to the normal schoolday format in existence prior to March 13, 2020 with no requirement for physical distancing.

3) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The school district will continue to ensure that adequate handwashing facilities are available and operational throughout the district for use by students, staff and visitors. Hand sanitizer stations will continue as deemed necessary throughout the school district. Normal operational reminders regarding respiratory etiquette will continue throughout the school year. Students and staff will continue to be encouraged to stay home when sick.

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

The school district will continue to clean and disinfect the school facilities with themost sustainable effective EPA approved cleaning/disinfection products available forthe task.

The school district will continue to maintain its ventilation systems, including filter replacement schedule, to maximize available fresh air supplies within the buildings. The school district will continue to investigate promising technologies for improvement and will continue to invest in updating HVAC equipment.

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)

With the expiration of the Executive Orders the school district will follow any statutory requirements regarding contact tracing or quarantining that are in effect during the 2022-2023 school year.

6) Diagnostic and screening testing ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The school district will continue to direct staff and parents of students toward local health providers for any health screening needs.

7) Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The school district provides optional flu vaccinations for staff onsite. For all other vaccination needs, the district will continue to direct staff and parents of students to local health providers.

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

([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The District will continue to provide appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities who are medically fragile students and/or students with physical or health impairments. The District frequently communicates with individual families of students with significant medical risk factors to determine if additional precautions or unique measures are necessary prior to a student's safe return to school in-person.