



## PLAN FOR SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN

### REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF A LOCAL PLAN

1. *Policies for Mitigation Strategies:* Plan for incorporating eight different mitigation strategies included in current CDC guidance.
2. *Continuity of Services:* Plan to address academic and non-academic services for students and staff.
3. *Periodic Review:* Review at least every 6 months through September 30, 2023 and revise the plan as appropriate.
4. *Public Input:* Seek public input and incorporate revisions as necessary.

**DEADLINE:** June 24, 2021

**DIRECTIONS:** Post the plan to the district website and then email that link (URL) to: [continuityplan@education.ohio.gov](mailto:continuityplan@education.ohio.gov)

**RESOURCES:**

- [American Rescue Plan: Safe Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plans](#)
- [Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention](#)

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## **POLICIES FOR INCORPORATING MITIGATION STRATEGIES**

*Describe to what extent the following policies have been adopted to incorporate the following CDC Mitigation Strategies and provide a description of any policies being implemented:*

- **Universal and correct wearing of masks** - All students and staff will be given the option to wear a mask on District grounds.
- **Physical distancing** - The Springfield City School District will adapt practices to allow physical distancing at a minimum of three (3) feet whenever possible.
- **Handwashing and respiratory etiquette** - The District will encourage hand washing for students and staff while in school.
- **Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation** -The District will ensure all district property is cleaned at least daily.
- **Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state and local health departments** - The District will follow all local and state protocols with isolation and quarantine.
- **Diagnostic and screening testing** - The District will coordinate with the Clark County Combined County Health District regarding all testing.
- **Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and eligible students** - The District will share information of vaccination clinics to all eligible stakeholders.
- **Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies** - Accommodations for students with disabilities will be provided.

## PLAN TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC SERVICES

*Describe how you will address continuity of services for students and staff, where needed, in the following areas:*

1. **Academic Services** - The District is offering an [expanded summer enrichment program](#) for students in elementary, middle and high school to address the learning loss that occurred during COVID-19. The impact of this program will be monitored utilizing pre and post survey data. The District will engage in strategies to address learning recovery and acceleration including the following:

- Using and analyzing data, as well as communicating needs to families and students
- Planning for accelerated learning options and individualized learning
- Strengthening content-specific strategies for learning recovery in math and English language arts
- High-quality professional development around evidence-based strategies and utilization of curricular resources to provide equitable instruction to all students

2. **Social-Emotional & Mental Health** - Social-emotional learning and mental health will be addressed during the expanded summer enrichment program. Teachers will engage students in evidence-based strategies to address both social-emotional learning and mental health needs. Staff are available to address individual student needs as they arise. In addition, the District has collaboratively created a plan to explicitly and proactively address social-emotional needs of both students and staff at the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Progress will be monitored through use of the Panorama Social-Emotional Survey, which will be administered three times over the course of the year. Additional plans to address District specific data will be created as additional data becomes available.

3. **Health** - The District provides nursing services at elementary, middle and high school levels. Each SCSD school has a designated room or space separate from the nurse's clinic where students or employees who are feeling ill are evaluated. Each school nurse monitors absences and conducts contact tracing of any positive COVID-19 cases with staff and students. Quarantine protocols set forth by the Ohio Department of Health are followed in such cases.

4. **Food** - Food service will be provided in conjunction with recommendations from the CDC and the Clark County Combined Health District. This summer, Second Harvest Food Bank has teamed up with the local schools and community organizations to provide children ages 1-18 with free, healthy meals. Meals will be pre-packaged and distributed at sites in Clark, Champaign and Logan Counties.

## **PERIODIC REVIEW**

1. **Describe how you will conduct a review of your plan at least every 6 months.** The SCSD will review and adjust the 2020-2021 health and safety policies and procedures in June 2021. Policies and procedures will be reviewed again at the start of the second semester of the 2021-2022 school year. The plan will be reviewed at least every 6 months through September 30, 2023 and will be revised as appropriate.
2. **Describe how you will revise the plan as appropriate.** Plans will be adjusted based on data, feedback and guidance from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Clark County Combined Health District (CCCHD) for the second semester.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

1. **Describe how you will seek public input.** The SCSD has and will continue to seek input from the public during the 2021-2022 school year. In addition, the Superintendent or designee will continue to work directly with local health officials weekly. Public comments can be submitted [here](#).
2. **Describe how you will take public input into account when making revisions.** Public input will be noted and will be considered when making revisions to the plan.
3. **Review Period: What revisions were made and why?** The plan will be reviewed at least every 6 months through September 30, 2023 and will be revised as appropriate.