



# Twin Valley School District 2020-21 Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan Summary

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## Health and Safety Plan Summary:

**Anticipated Launch Date: August 27, 2020**

This represents a summary of the TVSD Health and Safety Plan for Reopening Schools. Pennsylvania's Department of Education requires that this summary be posted to our website. The complete plan has also been posted to the website.

## Facilities Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting and Ventilation

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
* Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, hallways, and transportation)	<p><b>Transportation-</b> In preparation for students returning, bus contractor staff will deep clean and sanitize all contractor owned buses with approved disinfectant prior to vehicle use.</p> <p>TVSD maintenance staff will deep clean and sanitize all TVSD district owned vehicles with approved disinfectant prior to vehicle use.</p>

**Daily/Weekly/Monthly** Contractor and Bus staff to maintain cleaning and sanitization protocol as determined by District and Contractor. Protocol to include daily sanitization of high touch surfaces including: all bus seats, seat backs, handrails and other high touch surfaces in accordance with CDC regulations. Buses will be sanitized between AM and PM runs and wiped down during the day to the maximum extent feasible.

**Ventilation** Maximize ventilation on vehicles to the extent possible.

### **Health & Safety**

**Frequently touched surfaces** - Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects within the school at least daily, including desktops, chairs, electronic devices door handles, sink handles, etc.

Provide wipes for students to wipe desks.

### **Building ventilation**

Set ventilation systems to operate with circulation of outdoor air at least 10%.

**Water fountains - disconnected** Installing touchless water bottle filling stations in all buildings. Students will be encouraged to bring water bottles from home.

**Isolation area:** Close off area(s) used by sick individual(s). Do not use until after cleaning and disinfecting.

**Handwashing and Hand sanitizer:** Hand washing is the preferred hygiene method. Classrooms with sinks will continue to be supplied with soap and towel dispensers. Students will be encouraged to wash hands frequently.

Sanitizing wipes will be available in all classrooms and cafeterias for students to wipe desks and tables.

## Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible</li> <li>* Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms</li> <li>* Hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices</li> <li>* Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs</li> <li>* Handling sporting activities consistent with the <a href="#">CDC Considerations for Youth Sports</a> for recess and physical education classes</li> </ul>	<p>Implement a scaffolded schedule that includes a 5-Full Day In-person schedule and a 5 Day Live-streaming option.</p> <p>Remove any non-essential furniture. Elementary classroom carpets will be removed and other small group gathering spaces will be minimized to maximize separation of desks.</p> <p>Individual student desks faced forward and will be physically distanced to the maximum extent feasible.</p> <p>In classrooms with tables, students will be physically distanced to the maximum extent feasible.</p> <p>No more than one student per classroom excused to the restroom at any time, when possible.</p> <p>IN cafeterias and other congregate settings, students will be physically distanced to the maximum extent possible.</p> <p>Students will be expected to wash hands or use hand sanitizer especially after using the bathroom, before/after eating, and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.</p> <p>Hands-free hand sanitizer dispensers will be placed throughout the buildings.</p>

Limiting the sharing of materials among students	Students and staff will be expected to wear a face covering in compliance with PA Department of Health order.
Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways	Parents will be responsible to provide a face covering for their child(ren).
Adjusting transportation schedules and practices to create social distance between students	District will post signs to encourage proper hygiene and handwashing throughout school buildings, school buses, and district vans.
Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of students	No non-essential visitors and volunteers.
Coordinating with local childcare regarding on site care, transportation protocol changes and, when possible, revised hours of operation or modified school-year calendars	Visitors need to make an appointment, report to the main office, and practice physical distancing.
Other social distancing and safety practices	In accordance with PA DOH Health Order, visitors will be required to wear a face covering.
	Sanitization of equipment per CDC guidelines between sessions to the maximum extent feasible.
	At the elementary level, students have their own pencil box filled with writing utensils, etc.
	Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria utilizing physical distancing
	After arrival, students will report to breakfast or directly to class.
	To the maximum extent feasible, hallway traffic will be minimized. Some considerations will be directional hallway traffic, staggered classroom dismissals, etc.
	Students will not be allowed to congregate or loiter in the hallways or common areas.

No class assemblies.

Use of restrooms only permitted during class periods to the maximum extent feasible.

Transportation plans will be developed to support physical distancing to the maximum extent feasible.

In compliance with current PA Department of Health order, students will be expected to wear approved face coverings on buses.

Alterations to transportation arrangements (e.g. bus passes) will be given greater scrutiny.

If weather allows, bus windows will be opened to increase ventilation.

Staff meetings conducted in small groups or virtually.

No assemblies or other large gatherings to the maximum extent feasible.

On-site childcare will adhere to the TVSD Health & Safety Plan.

Communication to families to review nurse's office visitation protocols for students, e.g. emergencies, daily medications / COVID-like symptoms, etc.

Internships, peer mentoring, and other courses that require community contact will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Plexiglass shields will be installed in main office welcome areas, at counters for all secretarial staff, at cafeteria checkout, nurses' offices, and other areas where appropriate

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## Monitoring Student and Staff Health

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure</li> <li>* Isolating or quarantining students, staff, or visitors if they become sick or demonstrate a history of exposure</li> <li>* Returning isolated or quarantined staff, students, or visitors to school</li> </ul>	<p>Bus Staff to self-certify and monitor their health status and exposure with their respective contractors. TVSD will be notified by contractors of symptomatic staff.</p> <p>All staff &amp; students will be expected to self-monitor at home. Investigate temperature readings at entry.</p> <p>Symptomatic staff, students, and contractors should not report to school, should notify the district, and should follow CDC guidelines.</p> <p>Review attendance procedures for students and staff.</p> <p>Immediately separate staff and students with COVID-19 symptoms at school. Individuals who are sick will be sent home or to a healthcare facility depending upon the severity of their symptoms.</p> <p>Isolate students with illness symptoms awaiting parent pick-up. Ask screening questions regarding exposure to COVID-19 symptoms.</p> <p>To limit potential exposure of other students during transportation, students requiring isolation will not be allowed to ride the bus home.</p>
<p>Notifying staff, families, and the public of school closures and within-school-year changes in safety protocols</p>	

Any student or staff member who had been isolated or quarantined should follow CDC/Chester County Health Department guidance for returning to school.

Any student sent home with COVID-like symptoms is required to submit a doctor's note before returning to school. Parents should email a copy of the doctor's note to the school nurse and building principal prior to student's return. Students are required to bring a hardcopy of the doctor's note when returning to school.

Any staff member sent home with COVID-like symptoms are required to submit a doctor's note before returning to work. The staff member should email a copy of the doctor's note to the Human Resources office and building principal prior to returning to work. Staff members are required to bring a hardcopy of the doctor's note when returning to work.

Monitor quarantine protocols and adhere to exposure guidelines provided by the CDC and PA DOH.

District will remain in communication with local Departments of Health and follow their guidance should we have a positive COVID test.

District will use the school messenger system to provide alerts and updates as guided by local health departments

Follow CDC, PA DOH, and local health department recommendations and guidance to the maximum extent feasible.

Staff & student's family should notify the school if absence is due to COVID-19 or Influenza.

Schools will notify their Health Department, as required, while maintaining confidentiality

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### Other Considerations for Students and Staff

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<p>* Protecting students and staff at higher risk for severe illness</p> <p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff</p> <p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older students (as appropriate)</p> <p>Unique safety protocols for students with complex needs or other vulnerable individuals</p> <p>Strategic deployment of staff</p>	<p>Staff concerned with higher risk should contact the Human Resources Director.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians concerned with higher risk for severe illness should contact Building Principals.</p> <p>The use of face coverings will conform to PA Health Department order.</p> <p>Consider needs for students/staff who must be able to see the lips of the speaker.</p> <p>Provide procedures to permanent and substitute staff.</p>