

Lake Local School District
IRN: 049866

Safe Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services and ARP-ESSER Plan

In Compliance with American Rescue Plan: Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP ESSER).

This plan was developed in coordination between district certified and non-certified staff, administrators including the Director of Special Services, students, parents, and union leaders.

These general principals will guide our school community as we continue services in the Lake Local School District.

1. Our school district will implement safety protocol mandates.
2. Our school district will work closely with the Stark County Health Department to promote health and safety in all school buildings.
3. Our school district will be transparent with all stakeholders that some level of risk will always be present when children and school district employees occupy school district facilities.
4. Our school district recognizes the need for consistency in areas of operations while also recognizing that individual differences in classroom sizes, school facilities and building operations.

These guidelines will be common throughout the Lake Local School District.

Student Illness:

- Any student with a fever of 100 degrees or higher should stay home.
- Any student that has the following symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home from school and see their primary care provider to be assessed:
 - Any of the following High Risk symptoms: new cough, difficulty breathing, loss of taste or smell
 - OR**
 - Two of the following Low Risk symptoms: fever greater than 100 degrees, congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, abdominal pain, sore throat, headache, tiredness/muscle or body aches
 - AND**
 - An exposure to a case of COVID-19.
- Per Stark County Health Department Health guidelines, if your child presents with One High Risk symptom or Two or more Low Risk symptoms consistent with COVID-19, he/she should be presumed to have COVID-19. The health department recommends if COVID-19 is suspected the entire household should stay home until the individual with symptoms meets return to school criteria.

Returning to School After Illness:

- Your student may return to school if he/she meets one of the following criteria:
 - A healthcare provider determines the illness is caused by something else and provides a note to return to school.
 - Your child is tested for COVID-19 and has proof of negative results.
 - Your child stays home for 5 days and is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.

Communication: Positive case of COVID-19 in a Student or Staff Member:

- Communication will be developed in cooperation with the Stark County Health Department. The communication MAY include the following:
 - Specificity to parents of the classroom/bus/school building/ or other school activity in which the confirmed case was located.
 - Cooperation between the district and the Stark County Health Department in contact tracing to identify close contacts of a positive COVID-19 case.
 - A quarantine period MAY be required per the Stark County Health Department.

Food Service:

- All buildings will offer food service.
- Logistics will be determined by each building in compliance with the Stark County Health Department.

Classroom Occupancy:

- The district will decrease the likelihood of infection with hygiene and cleaning and safety procedures.
- Classroom occupancy will be determined based on each individual classroom circumstance with the maximum amount of safety considerations as possible.

Face Covering Guidelines:

- Effective June 2, 2021 Governor DeWine's mask mandate expired.

Virtual Online Learning:

- For the 2021-2022 school year, Lake Local School District will offer in person learning to all of our students.

Transportation:

- The Lake Local School District will allow two students per seat and in some cases three if the students are younger and therefore smaller.
- The district will attempt to seat siblings or students from the same household together in a seat.
- The mask order for school buses remains in effect until the COVID-19 health emergency is over or the order is rescinded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Recess (Elementary only):

- The Lake Local School District will make every effort to maintain consistency with safety procedures.

Handwashing:

- The Lake Local School District will reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and increase monitoring to ensure adherence among teachers, students, and staff.
- The district has made hand sanitizer available for teachers, staff and students.

Vaccinations:

- Lake Local School District provided an opportunity for all staff to be vaccinated by the Stark County Health Department.

2021 Summer Continuity of Services:

During the 2020-2021 school year, Lake Local School District provided face to face instruction for the entire year for all students. The district also provided an online learning option for students as well. This plan was established to help students advance and make up for any learning that may have been lost or delayed because of the coronavirus pandemic. The plan was established to meet the needs of all students.

The Lake Local School district has decided to offer a summer learning program. Below are the specific details regarding the summer learning program.

Program Summary:

The Lake Local School District Summer Learning Program is for students in grades K-8. Using student data, those students who are identified with the most significant needs in reading and mathematics will be invited to participate. The program will be Monday through Thursday beginning June 7, 2021 and ending on July 1, 2021. Each day, students will arrive at 8:00 am and depart at 12:00 pm. Breakfast will be served to students each day and lunch will be provided as a “to go” option. Each day, all students will receive intensive individualized instruction in both reading and math. This instruction will target specific skill deficits identified by student data.

How will the district identify the students invited?

The most current student data will be used to determine which students have been significantly impacted by the pandemic. This data includes, but is not limited to:

- MAP Data
- Classroom formative and summative assessment data
- Response to Intervention data
- Attendance data
- Reading Level based on BAS data or running records
- Lexia Data
- RAZ Kids data
- Heggerty data
- Moby Max data

How will the district identify the needs of the students?

Using the data collected, teachers will prioritize which academic standards need to be addressed at each grade level. Teachers will collect pre and post test data to ensure student growth during the Summer Learning Program.

What resources are available to address the students needs?

The district will provide students and teachers with resources for the Summer Learning Program. The resources include online programs, curriculum materials, technology and educational supplies. Students will be served breakfast and lunch each day. Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds from the federal government will be used to cover the cost of the Summer Learning Program.

How does this summer learning plan align and reinforce the district goals?

Lake Local School District's Vision Statement is "To be the leader in addressing the educational, social and physical needs of students". By offering the Summer Learning Program, the district will be able to continue to close the gaps in learning due to the pandemic. The district acknowledges that these gaps may not close during the Summer Learning Program and we are committed to continue to provide additional resources to close the learning gap during the 2021-2022 school year.

2022 Summer Continuity of Services:

The Lake Local School district has decided to offer a summer learning program.

Program Summary:

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The district will continue to address the social, emotional, and mental needs of our students for the 2021-2022 school year by continuing contracting services of Clinical Counselors at the buildings. The district will also begin the implementation of a Positive Behavior Interventions and Support {PBIS} Curriculum at all buildings. During the 2021-2022 school year, the district will provide Mental Health First Aid recertification training for approximately 100 staff members to help with identifying students' social and emotional needs. The district will continue contracting services of school nurses for each building for the 2021-2022 school year. The district will continue to employ Family Support Specialists who will meet regularly with the building CARE Teams to support and help students and families overcome academic and nonacademic barriers.

The district will continue to provide free breakfast and lunch offerings to all students K-12 for the 2021-2022 school year.

The district will continue to address learning gaps by reducing class sizes in Kindergarten through sixth grade. The district will also add an additional Intervention Specialist at the elementary level to reduce case load numbers. By reducing class sizes and caseloads, teachers will be able to provide more individualized instruction to meet the needs of all students and close the learning gaps. The district will expand the alternative school to seventh and eighth grade. The expansion of this program will provide more individualized instruction to meet the needs of the students and address students' social and emotional needs. The district will continue to work with parents/guardians to provide appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities.

During the 2021-2022 school year, the district will add a Director of Data and Assessment. This person will facilitate the process of analyzing student data with teachers during their common planning times. By identifying students' areas of strengths and weaknesses, the teachers can provide individualized instruction to meet the needs of all students and close the learning gap.

During the 2021-2022 school year, the district will implement a new assessment program for Kindergarten through twelfth grade. The Director of Data and Assessment will work with teachers to create quarterly assessments to progress monitor student learning.

During the 2021-2022 school year, the district will continue to use hospital grade sanitizer in all buildings. The district believes that the use of the hospital grade sanitizer will continue to prevent student and staff illness. Less illness will allow for students to be in class participating in their own learning which will continue to help close the learning gap and allow students to achieve at their full potential.

As part of the district's recent facility projects, air conditioning was installed in every building. By adding this feature along with frequently changing the air filters, the district has vastly improved the air quality for our students and staff. The one area that has not been updated is Lake Middle/High School's main gymnasium. During the 2021-2022 school year, the district will update the HVAC system in the main gymnasium to include air conditioning. This will improve the air quality for students and staff during the school day as well as after school for extra curricular activities for students and staff.

Technology:

The district will be expanding the network capacity and connectivity in order to handle long-term school closure. For such closure, students will have access to a school computing device (laptop or iPad). The district will use a learning management system to provide regular and substantive educational interaction between students and classroom instructors. The network capacity and connectivity will be expanded to handle the internet traffic, video conference connections, and video submission of students' work. The district has secured internet access hot spots for students which would be available for students in need in the event of a long-term school closure.

Review and Public Input:

A collaborative meeting with a committee of staff, administrators including the Director of Special Services, students, parents and union leaders was held on June 7, 2021. Lake Local School District will re-establish the committee to periodically review all aspects of this plan at least every six months for the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period (through September 30, 2023) and revise the plan as needed.

This plan was presented at the June 21st, 2021 Board of Education meeting for public comment.

This plan was reviewed and updated by the Executive Leadership Team on January 11, 2022.