

American Rescue Plan: Safe Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plans

Each district and community school should post on its local website a plan which includes, or will be modified to include, the extent to which it has adopted policies and a description of any such policies on each of the following mitigation strategies:

1. Universal and correct wearing of masks:
Austintown Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Board of Health guidelines.
2. Physical distancing:
Austintown Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Board of Health guidelines.
3. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:
Austintown Local Schools will continue current handwashing and respiratory etiquette guidelines.
4. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation:
Austintown Local Schools will continue current cleaning guidelines.
5. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state, local, territorial or tribal health departments:
Austintown Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Board of Health guidelines.
6. Diagnostic and screening testing:
Austintown Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Board of Health guidelines.
7. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and students, if eligible:
We will follow our Austintown Local Board Policy regarding vaccinations.
8. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies:
We will follow our Austintown Local Board Policy regarding students with disabilities.

Each district and community school should post on its local website a plan which describes how it will ensure continuity of services including but not limited to:

1. Services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health and other needs, which may include student health and food services:

The Austintown Local Schools District Leadership Team will review student data and identify students' academic needs and SEL needs. They will provide input into how to best support the identified needs through before, during and after school programs.

They will also collect data on staff's social, emotional, mental health and other needs. They will provide input into how to best support the identified needs of staff.

2. The LEA periodically reviews, no less frequently than every six months for the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period (i.e., through September 30, 2023), and revises its plan as appropriate:

The Austintown Local Schools District Leadership Team will meet quarterly to review students' academic needs, and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health and other needs and will revise our plan if needed to meet identified needs.

3. The LEA seeks public input and takes such input into account on (1) whether revisions are necessary and, if so, (2) the revisions to the plan:

The Austintown Local Schools District Leadership Team will request public input on whether or not revisions are needed and will revise our plan if needed to meet identified needs.

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