

Health and Safety Plan Summary: **Susquehanna Township School District**

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1. **How will the LEA, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning?**

STSD will frequently monitor local conditions and implement a layered approach to prevention and mitigation strategies based on guidance from local health officials, CDC, and the American Academy of Pediatrics. The board approved health and safety plan summary will be posted on the district's website and shared with all stakeholder groups to ensure consistent deployment throughout the district. The contents of this plan and guidance from the CDC will be reviewed frequently and amended as needed to meet the health and safety needs of district stakeholders.

2. **How will the LEA ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services?**

STSD approaches and processes to ensure the continuity of services are based on a systems-perspective to manage and lead all parts of the organization. The District's Leadership Improvement Model ensures that all stakeholder needs are determined and balanced before any direction is set and plans deployed. Performance is monitored and measured throughout a continuous cycle of improvement to ensure learning and improvement. Through this system, the district will consider the needs of all stakeholder groups, departments, and critical success factors to address the needs of learners, academic learning, health and safety, facilities, food service, technology and team member needs. Action plans have been developed to ensure the continuity of learning. In addition, the district's organizational agility and learning from the previous year will position the district to anticipate and act on student and stakeholder needs.

3. Use the table below to explain 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 policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
<p>a. Universal and correct wearing of masks;</p>	<p>Masks are encouraged, but not required in all STSD buildings and transportation.</p> <p>District Administration reserves the right to enforce any and all mandates as imposed by the Governor, PA Department of Education (PDE), Center for Disease Controls (CDC), and PA State Department of Health (PA DOH).</p> <p>District administration will continue to monitor local and national transmission data. Universal masking regardless of vaccination status will be reinstated at the building level where positive cases represent 2% or more of the school population. The universal masking requirement will be removed when the positive case percentage moves below 2%.</p>
<p>b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);</p>	<p>The district will not use social distancing as a mitigation strategy.</p>
<p>c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</p>	<p>The district will review and continue deployment of hygiene instruction and respiratory etiquette for all students and staff to promote healthy hygiene practices.</p> <p>Hand hygiene routines will be implemented.</p> <p>Adequate supplies will be provided in all areas, including soap, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and tissues.</p> <p>Signs and posters will be placed in highly visible locations to promote handwashing and respiratory etiquette.</p>
<p>d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;</p>	<p>The district will follow CDC guidance for cleaning and disinfecting schools.</p> <p>Disinfection using the Clorox Total 360 Electrostatic Sprayer will be used in indoor settings where there has been a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 within twenty-four (24) hours.</p> <p>To the greatest extent feasible, outside air percentages will be increased to forty (40) %</p>
<p>e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</p>	<p>Student and Staff Reporting Form</p> <p>Staff will be required to submit the Staff Self-Reporting Form and parents/guardians are required to submit the Student COVID-19 Reporting Form to report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive test results.

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	<p>Positive Cases PA DOH will be notified of all confirmed positive test results.</p> <p>Individuals testing positive for COVID-19 or being advised by a health care provider to isolate due to symptoms may return to in-person attendance when they have met the criteria set forth by the CDC in the Isolation and Precautions for People with COVID-19.</p> <p>Contact Tracing The district will not conduct contact tracing.</p>
<p>f. Diagnostic and screening testing;</p>	<p>Symptom and exposure screening will be done at home by staff and students on a daily basis using the STSD COVID-19 At Home Symptom Monitoring Tool.</p> <p>Individuals presenting with COVID-19 symptoms in any district office or building will be separated from others until they can be sent home and will be offered a COVID-19 test by a school nurse in accordance with Diagnostic Testing guidelines aligned with the CDC.</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities;</p>	<p>STSD, in partnership with local providers, will provide educational resources, encourage vaccination, and provide opportunities for vaccinations as necessary.</p> <p>Level II and III volunteers with direct contact with students are strongly encouraged to be up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations and to submit vaccination records to the District Volunteer Coordinator.</p>
<p>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and</p>	<p>STSD will take extra precautions in low incidence programs: Autism Support (AS), Multiple Disability Support (MDS), Life Skills Support (LSS), Emotional Support (ES).</p> <p>Staff are required to thoroughly wash their hands immediately before and after working with a student. Hand sanitizer may be used if soap and water are not available.</p> <p>Avoid the use of communal objects for student reinforcement. If such objects are used with multiple students, each object must be disinfected immediately before and after student use.</p> <p>Personal student devices must be disinfected daily.</p> <p>The district's feeding protocol must be followed when feeding students. Staff are required to wear gloves when feeding students.</p>

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	Bathrooms and changing tables must be disinfected before and after student use. Limit students to one at a time. Students should be assisted with hand washing as needed.
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	The district will continue to report positive cases to PA DOH.