## Health and Safety Plan Summary: Conewago Valley School District



Initial Effective Date:
Date of Last Review:

August 2, 2021 February 6, 2023

Date of Last Revision:

August 8, 2022

### Public link to website with plan posted:

https://www.conewago.k12.pa.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\_ID=2111583&type=d&pREC\_ID=2191193

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?

During the 2021-2022 school year, the Conewago Valley School District updated and followed an approved health and safety plan. We provided an educational model for K-12 with in-person instruction five days per week in addition to a K-12 Conewago Valley Online Academy option.

For the 2022-2023 school year, Conewago Valley School District will fully reopen for all students K-12 with in-person learning five days per week. Additionally, the Conewago Valley School District will offer its own online academy (Conewago Valley Online Academy) for grades 9-12 as an alternate choice to in-person instruction. We will also offer a blended model of in-person and remote instruction for grades 9-12 to meet the academic needs of students along with ensuring their health and safety. The District will develop for students at higher risk a student-specific plan that will help facilitate his/her safe return to the school district and/or continuation of their education in a safe and healthy environment.

In order to prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, the District will reference the most recent CDC, PA Dept of Health, and PA Dept of Education guidance for the reopening and operation of school facilities, to the greatest extent possible. First and foremost, to prevent the spread of disease, staff and students will be encouraged to stay home when not feeling well.

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?

## Conewago Valley School District will address academic needs by:

- Assessing and monitoring student readiness and academic level using a variety
  of assessment tools and techniques. LinkIt! Benchmark Assessments will be
  utilized, PSSA and Keystone data, formative and summative assessments, and
  Acadience Learning in reading and mathematics.
- Provide a blended model of learning with asynchronous and/or synchronous options for all K-12 students should we need to close.
- Continued implementation of learning support and gifted support services to address learning through instructional support for students, small group instruction for all students, differentiating delivery of curriculum for all students, use of acceleration, and creating academic portfolios to show academic growth of students.

# Conewago Valley School District will address Social, Emotional, and Mental Health by:

Conewago Valley School District will offer social, emotional and mental health services to staff and students through referrals to school counselors. In addition to school counselors, we will utilize our school nurses and outside mental health agencies to provide support for our students and staff. Individual school buildings will use teams of counselors, teachers, and administrators to meet weekly about students through a Student Success Team (SST). The Student Assistance Program (SAP) will be made available for all students K-12. The purpose of the team is to help identify potential students that are in need of help and provide multiple resources for the student and their family. All Conewago Valley School District employees have access to our Employee Assistance Program (EAP) by contacting the Human Resources Department.

#### Conewago Valley School District will address Food Services by:

The Food Service Department will follow any and all guidance set forth by the US Department of Agriculture and PDE Food & Nutrition division to safely and efficiently serve meals to all students.

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			
a. Universal and correct wearing of masks;	Face coverings are optional for staff and students in Conewago Valley School District Buildings and while on Conewago Valley School District property.			
	Any student, staff member or visitor who wishes to wear a face covering will be permitted to do so while in the buildings or on Conewago Valley School District property.			
	The Conewago Valley School District will continue to monitor and review both CDC and PA Commonwealth guidance, mandates, and orders.			
	If required, students and staff will be reminded of the correct way to wear a mask and/or face shield.			
<ul> <li>b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical</u> <u>distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);</li> </ul>	Classrooms will contain essential furniture to help maintain, to the greatest extent possible, social distancing between students.			
c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;	As a school district, we will follow all healthy hygiene practices for all students and staff.			
	Posters and signs will be displayed throughout the schools to remind staff and students to perform hand hygiene.			
d. <u>Cleaning</u> and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving <u>ventilation</u> ;	The Aramark custodial staff and district maintenance staff will continue to clean/disinfect high touch surfaces on a daily basis.			
	Continued use of hand sanitizer stations at the building entrances.			
	Continued conversion of water fountains to fill stations that are touchless.			
	Continued conversion of bathroom fixtures to touchless with sensors.			

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	In addition, deep cleaning will occur on an as needed basis.				
	Ventilation status will be monitored for fresh air intake and filters will be replaced quarterly during the school year.				
e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;	As a school district, we will follow any and all Pennsylvania Department of Health and Pennsylvania Department of Education orders.				
	In addition, we will continue to notify staff, families, and the community of any school incidents and temporary closures.				
f. <u>Diagnostic</u> and screening testing;	As a school district, we will provide information to staff, students, and families related to <a href="Symptoms &amp; Testing">Symptoms &amp; Testing</a> Follow guidance provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Health				
g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school</u> <u>communities;</u>	We will continue to work with local school districts within Adams County, along with local pharmacies and drug stores to create opportunities for unvaccinated professional staff and students, ages 12-18.				
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies;	Students will be able to use a face shield instead of a mask as directed by their IEP and/or medical note.  In addition, we will develop for students at higher risk a student-specific plan that will help facilitate his/her safe return to the school district.				
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	As a school district, we will follow any and all Pennsylvania Department of Health orders, as Adams County does not have a local health department contact.				

# Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for Conewago Valley School District reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on February 13, 2023.

The plan was approved by a vote of:	7	ayes	0	nay 5	2	absent
Yes		1		,		
No						

Affirmed on: February 13, 2023

By:

(Signature\* of Board President)

**Edward Groft** 

(Print Name of Board President)

\*Electronic signatures on this document are acceptable using one of the two methods detailed below.

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