



# CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## 2023-2024 Clairton City School District Health and Safety Plan

**Initial Effective Date: August 23, 2023**

**Date of Last Review: August 22, 2023**

**Date of Last Revision: August 11, 2023**

The Clairton City School District will provide instructional options that best meet the needs of our students and also considers the health and safety of the larger school community. We recognize the uncertainty created by the pandemic and understand that we may be required to revise and adjust the Health and Safety Plan in the future. The District will make these adjustments when needed and prepare the students and inform our families accordingly.

**The instructional options will be offered to students and families at the Clairton City School District for the 2023-2024 school year:**

- 1. 100% Full In-Person Learning [5 days a week instruction for all Clairton City students K-12]**
- 2. Clairton City Schools Cyber Academy [5 days a week “Asynchronous” virtual option K-12]**
- 3. Blended Learning – In-person and Cyber option combined [9-12]**

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?

The Clairton City School District will monitor the latest recommendations from the Center for Disease Control [CDC], the Pennsylvania Department of Health [DOH], the Pennsylvania Department of Education [PDE], and the Allegheny County Health Department [ACHD]. We will use information from those sources to update and revise our plan as needed. Board policies will be reviewed, modified, and approved to ensure compliance with the health and safety plan. In addition, we will continue preventative practices for infectious diseases such as handwashing, cleaning, and masking [when recommended]. We will also provide information on accessing testing, vaccination, and boosters services when available.

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?

Our school district provides a personal device for all students and maintains a learning management system. This system simplifies online learning for students and teachers. Teachers, students and parents have been trained on the Canvas platform which will be used daily in class for in-person learning. In addition, we have a variety of diagnostic tools that are available to assess student knowledge and skills and provide interventions tailored to individual student needs. Staff will review and implement accelerated learning strategies and personalize instruction to address student learning gaps. We have and will continue to offer a comprehensive K-12 summer program to address the needs of students who have experienced learning loss during the school year.

The staff received professional development from mental health professionals on how to identify and respond to trauma. Social, emotional, mental health and other needs will be monitored and provided by school counselors, social workers, and therapists from the Allegheny Health Network [AHN] and Wesley Family Services. The high school counselor has weekly check-in meetings with students experiencing trauma or with serious emotional problems and makes necessary referrals as needed. The elementary counselor provides classroom lessons using the Second Step curriculum. Referrals are made for students experiencing barriers to learning. Screenings are provided by Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health Services. Referrals are made for services on-site by our mental health agency partners. The AHN "Chill Program" offers a mindfulness program and space for students and staff in grades K-12. This program addresses skill development for emotional regulation and how to manage trauma for both students and adults. For staff we have a robust Employee Assistance Program [EAP] through our health insurance.

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 <a href="#">masks</a>;</p>	<p>All staff, students and visitors must wear masks in accordance with CDC and state and County Health Department mandates and guidance.</p> <p>People may choose to wear a mask at any time. However, when the CDC lists the community transmission for Allegheny County in the “high” category, masking will become mandatory. This information will be monitored by the District, and our school community updated accordingly.</p> <p>Correct mask wearing guidelines will be taught to students. Masks may be removed when eating and mask breaks will be provided. If masks are not a requirement, mask wearing will be optional.</p>
<p>b. Modifying facilities to allow for <a href="#">physical distancing</a></p>	<p>All classrooms and learning spaces will be organized to allow for physical distancing when feasible. If physical distancing is required desks, will be arranged in the same direction and spaced apart as much as feasibly possible. Protocols and reminders for physical distancing will be provided. Cafeteria and recess schedules may be staggered to allow for distancing and larger common spaces may be utilized during breakfast and lunch times.</p>
<p>c. <a href="#">Handwashing and respiratory etiquette</a>;</p>	<p>Protocols for hygiene are established and time for hand washing and or sanitizing will be included in daily routines. Each classroom will be equipped with adequate amounts of hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies that are CDC approved to clean high-touch areas. Sanitizing stations are located at the entry doors, in every classroom and throughout the buildings.</p>

	<p>Bottle filling stations are available throughout the building. Teachers will reinforce good hygiene measures such as handwashing, face coverings, and covering coughs.</p>
<p>d. <a href="#">Cleaning</a> and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving <a href="#">ventilation</a>;</p>	<p>All cleaning schedules and solutions specifically for coronaviruses and other infectious diseases will continue to be used. Cleaning and sanitizing procedures will be implemented in accordance with CDC, State and County Health Department mandates and guidelines.</p>
<p>e. <a href="#">Contact tracing</a> in combination with <a href="#">isolation</a> and <a href="#">quarantine</a>, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</p>	<p>We will follow guidance from the Allegheny County Health Department for all contact tracing and quarantining. We will continue to isolate anyone who exhibits COVID-like symptoms. School nurses and other healthcare providers should use standard and transmission-based precautions when caring for sick people</p>
<p>f. <a href="#">Diagnostic</a> and screening testing;</p>	<p>We will follow CDC, State and County mandates and guidance. Symptom screening begins at home every day. Parents and staff are provided a symptom checklist and if they are exhibiting any symptoms, they should remain home. Staff are also trained to recognize symptoms and make referrals to the school nurse. The school nurse recommends COVID-19 testing on an individual basis at one of our many neighborhood testing sites.</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide <a href="#">vaccinations to school communities</a>;</p>	<p>The Clairton City School District has partnered with Cornerstone Care, UPMC, and Livingston’s Pharmacy to provide vaccinations and boosters on-site for staff, students and community residents. We will continue to encourage and promote vaccinations for all staff and students.</p>
<p>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and</p>	<p>The Clairton City School District is required to ensure students with disabilities receive a free appropriate</p>

<p>safety policies; and</p>	<p>public education [FAPE] at all times. All students with disabilities must follow all health and safety protocols. Safe accommodations can be made through each student's individualized education plan [IEP]. School staff will monitor student progress and determine if additional accommodations are needed.</p>
<p>i. Coordination with state and local health officials.</p>	<p>We will work closely with PDE, the AIU, ACHD and other local community health agencies to coordinate and ensure the proper implementation and maintenance of our health and safety plan.</p>

# Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Clairton City School District** reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on **August 22, 2023**

The plan was approved by a vote of:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes**

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Affirmed on:

By:

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*[Signature\* of Board President]*

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