

# Health and Safety Plan Summary: Bermudian Springs School District

Initial Effective Date: July 1, 2021

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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?

This plan will continually be monitored to consider updated Federal and State guidance/mandates; it will be reviewed and revised as necessary. The revisions will be recommended to the Board for approval, and changes will be communicated to students, staff, and the greater school community.

This Health and Safety Plan was created based on our district's local context and considering the most recent guidance from the CDC, PA Department of Health, and the PDE. This plan prioritizes our ongoing efforts to keep our schools open for instruction.

## 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?

During the 24-25 school year, all BSSD administration buildings, school buildings, and athletic facilities will be open for full-time use and instruction. All other facilities will continue in this environment as well, including access to meals and counseling/support services. The district provides instruction, technology, technology support, and student support services in any environment that would remain open. The option of full-time Eagles Academy will also be available for families that choose it.

## 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 |  |
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| a. Universal and correct wearing of masks;                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Face coverings are optional for students, staff, and visitors in Bermudian Springs School District facilities and while on District property.</li><li>• Masks will be optional on school district buses for Bermudian Springs School District students</li></ul> |

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| <p><b>b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing</b> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);</p>                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All classroom spaces will be permitted to utilize classroom furniture of their choice to meet the educational needs of students.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posters and signs will be displayed throughout the school to remind students to perform hand hygiene.</li> <li>• Ensure adequate supplies (e.g., soap, paper towels, hand sanitizer, tissue) to support healthy hygiene practices.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase ventilation through in intake of outdoor air, use of fans, and the regular servicing and maintenance of district HVAC systems.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider the most recent guidance from the PA Dept of Health and local health departments regarding contact tracing, isolation, and quarantine protocols and procedures.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>f. Diagnostic and screening testing;</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow district policies for immunizations and communicable diseases.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>g. Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities;</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide information to our school community regarding vaccination.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and</b></p>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a student-specific plan for students at higher risk that facilitates their safe return to school.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>i. Coordination with state and local health officials.</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The District will consider guidance from Federal and State Health Officials regarding health mitigation strategies as appropriate.</li> </ul>   |