

Health and Safety Plan Summary: Franklin Regional School District

Initial Effective Date: July 1, 2021

Date of Last Review: August 2, 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?

FRSD’s Health and Safety Plan is informed by guidance from our federal, state, and local authorities. These include and are not limited to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH), and the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). FRSD will continue to work in coordination with these agencies and our local partners to develop and refine expectations that meet all requirements. FRSD will revise this plan as necessary, based on changing guidance at any of these levels, at the required frequency. Such changes will be communicated to all 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?

FRSD will continue to ensure safe learning and working environments for all students and staff.

FRSD will continue to provide in-person instruction during the 2021-22 school year. Based on public health conditions and any related mandates/requirements, FRSD will remain positioned to quickly shift between in-person and online instruction.

FRSD will continue to ensure all students receive instruction that meets state and federal standards and have the necessary supports for success, including access to technology and connectivity.

FRSD will continue to offer a wide array of social and emotional wellness and health supports, including:

- access to licensed social workers, counselors, school psychologists, board certified behavior analysts, and administrators.

- delivery of evidence-based SEL program for K-6 students.
- resources for staff such as the Employee Assistance Plan provided through Mazitti and Sullivan.
- supports to meet needs of special populations, through the IEP/504 process and/or through our multi-tiered, multi-domain system of support.
- access to training, time, support, and flexibility necessary for staff to prepare for successful instruction.

FRSD will provide proactive, clear communication to all families and staff

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 <u>masks</u>;</p>	<p>FRSD will comply with all Federal and State mandates regarding face coverings. When making its decision regarding the wearing of face coverings, the District will take into account the metrics as recommended by the CDC, PA DOH, PDE and its local health care advisors. The community will be notified of any changes.</p> <p>As of the date of the approval of this Plan, face coverings will not be required for staff or students except where required by Federal Mandate (public transportation, including school buses).</p> <p>Wearing a face covering may be subject to change at any time during the school year starting with the first day of school and ending with the last day of school.</p> <p>However, face coverings may be worn by all persons if they choose, and are recommended for unvaccinated individuals.</p>
<p>b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);</p>	<p>Students and employees will be encouraged to allow at least three (3) feet of distance between individuals when possible.</p> <p>Physical distancing of three feet may not be possible during certain instructional activities,</p>

	<p>including small group instruction, labs, cooperative learning or other similar activities.</p> <p>Students or employees who are more comfortable combining physical distancing with wearing a face covering are encouraged to do so.</p>
<p>c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</u></p>	<p>All individuals will continue to be encouraged and reminded to sanitize or wash their hands on a frequent basis. Hand sanitizer will continue to be made available in all common areas, hallways, and/or lobby areas where sinks for handwashing are not available, in order to encourage frequent use.</p> <p>To educate staff, students, and visitors on hygiene and promote everyday protective measures/hygiene and how to stop the spread of germs signs will be posted in visible locations.</p>
<p>d. <u>Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;</u></p>	<p>FRSD will continue to follow proper cleaning and disinfection protocols following CDC, EPA, and manufacturer guidelines.</p> <p>Ventilation remains in accordance with manufacturer's guidelines as a component of available strategies to maintain healthy facilities.</p> <p>Cleaning efforts will focus on high-touch surfaces. Hand sanitizing stations will continue to be maintained throughout all buildings. All cleaning products MSDS sheets will be available at each building.</p>
<p>e. <u>Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</u></p>	<p>Where required, FRSD will continue to work in partnership with the DOH for all COVID-19-related case investigation and contact tracing.</p> <p>The Pennsylvania Department of Health lists Covid-19 as a reportable communicable disease. As such, all cases of Covid-19 that were present in any school building during the infectious period must be reported to the School Nurse, Building Principal, and or Pandemic Coordinator within 24 hours of a positive test result. The Pandemic Coordinator will contact the Department of Health within 24 hours to</p>

	report the case and to receive instruction on the applicable next steps.
f. <u>Diagnostic and screening testing;</u>	<p>The district will encourage students and staff to self-screen for symptoms and to stay home when they are sick.</p> <p>If an individual presents with any symptom that may be consistent with Covid-19 while at a District facility, that individual will be asked to return home, consult with a physician, and remain at home until symptoms have passed for at least 24-hours without the use of medication.</p> <p>School health personnel will maintain a list of available testing and vaccinations sites to share with staff and student families.</p>
g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school communities;</u>	When possible, the District will continue to partner with federal, state, local, and health care agencies regarding opportunities to receive the COVID-19 vaccination.
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	<p>FRSD strives to promote an inclusive atmosphere for all students and may provide accommodations for students to access a Free and Appropriate Public Education, based on individual need and circumstances.</p> <p>The district will continue to design and follow any individualized health and safety plan for the students we serve. FRSD will continue to train staff and contractors on Universal Precautions and will communicate best practices for health and personal hygiene to all stakeholders to reinforce healthy instructional and work environments.</p>
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	FRSD will continue to foster existing relationships with state and local health officials, including the PA department of Health.

Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for Franklin Regional School District reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on August 2, 2021.

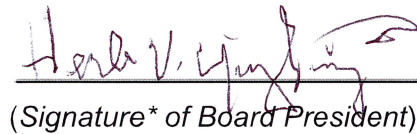
The plan was approved by a vote of:

 8 Yes

 0 No

Affirmed on: August 2, 2021

By:



(Signature of Board President)*

Herbert Yingling

(Print Name of Board President)

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