

Health and Safety Plan Summary: Upper St. Clair School District

Anticipated Launch Date: For Staff: 8/24/2020; For Students: 9/3/2020

Use these summary tables to provide your local education community with a detailed overview of your Health and Safety Plan. LEAs are required to post this summary on their website. To complete the summary, copy and paste the domain summaries from the Health and Safety Plan tables above.

****Note:** As the district prepares to reopen, students and families are expected to comply with all health and safety requirements set forth in the District’s Health and Safety Plan(s). Failure to comply may result in student discipline consistent with the degree of violation. A copy of the District’s Plan and the applicable health and safety requirements are available on the District’s website at www.uscsd.k12.pa.us. In the event a provision of the Health and Safety Plan conflicts with any duly adopted Board Policy, the Plan provisions will apply so long as the Plan is in place.

Facilities Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting and Ventilation

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<p>* Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, hallways, and transportation)</p>	<p>The district will change custodial shifts to support the health plan and education schedule that will allow for more frequent cleaning of high-touch surfaces throughout the school day. Facilities staff will utilize quick drying disinfectant. The district is replacing current hand sanitizers and soap dispensers with touchless equipment and increasing the number of mobile hand sanitizer stations. Hand sanitizers will be installed at building entrances, conference rooms, nutrition centers, and large group areas. Adhesive coverings will be placed on every other urinal, select water fountains, and hand dryers. The district’s facilities team will work with our service technicians to increase ventilation to buildings and will continue using high</p>

	<p>grade air filters. The district has procured ample supplies of cleaning solutions, supplies, and equipment through its vendors. The transportation schedules will allow for cleaning between each run. The nutrition centers will adopt enhanced cleaning schedules. All staff will be trained on the cleaning/ventilation protocols and procedures applicable to their responsibilities.</p>
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Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<p>* Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible</p>	<p>Upper St. Clair School District (District) will implement physical distancing measures whenever feasible to limit exposure between individuals. The District will arrange classrooms to have 6 feet of distance between stationary desks, and these desks will be arranged to face the same direction whenever possible. In classroom spaces that have tables, students will be seated in a staggered manner and on one side of the table.</p>
<p>* Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms</p>	<p>All learning spaces will have desk shields for each student. The District will utilize physical barriers in work spaces and areas used by staff, students, and others where physical distancing is not feasible.</p>
<p>* Hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices</p>	<p>To limit the number of individuals who come into contact with one another throughout the day, cohorts will be used and teachers will move to classrooms rather than having students move, where this is feasible. Students who receive special services will travel to those classrooms/offices as their needs</p>
<p>* Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs</p>	
<p>* Handling sporting activities consistent with the <u>CDC Considerations for Youth Sports</u> for recess and physical education classes</p>	

Limiting the sharing of materials among students

Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways

Adjusting transportation schedules and practices to create social distance between students

Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of students

Coordinating with local childcare regarding on site care, transportation protocol changes and, when possible, revised hours of operation or modified school-year calendars

Other social distancing and safety practices

require. Where cohorts do not exist and/or when travel to other classrooms is needed, strategies such as staggered release and hallway traffic management will be used. This is expected to occur to a wider extent at the high school level, but all levels will experience some need to transition students to more than one classroom for certain subjects (e.g., specials like Art, STEAM, etc. that have unique materials and/or equipment that cannot be transported to classrooms.) The use of communal spaces will be scheduled to stagger use.

Outdoor space will be used primarily for physical activity and recreation, but some outdoor spaces may be used for instructional purposes as feasible. PE and Recess will include low-risk activities that allow for physical activity while maintaining appropriate distancing.

Individual courses will be adapted as needed to meet the health / safety planning requirements.

Visitors and volunteers will be significantly restricted to those who are invited for emergency and sensitive meetings only and for limited periods of time to complete required sign-out procedures.

Large in-person events, celebrations, and other activities are suspended for the duration of this plan.

The district will partner with Extended Day Services on coordinated safety/health policies and procedures and any necessary changes to operations.

	Transportation loading procedures will be adjusted to minimize students' proximity to one another.
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Monitoring Student and Staff Health

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure * Isolating or quarantining students, staff, or visitors if they become sick or demonstrate a history of exposure * Returning isolated or quarantined staff, students, or visitors to school <p>Notifying staff, families, and the public of school closures and within-school- year changes in safety protocols</p>	<p>The Upper St. Clair School District will require students and staff to complete a screening process daily before coming to the school buildings. Staff members will complete a google form daily to be submitted before coming to work. Parents will review a symptom/exposure risk screening with their child before they send/bring them to school in the morning. Parents will be asked to complete a one-time acknowledgement to provide assurance to the district that this screening is taking place daily. If a parent is unable to complete this screening at home prior to school or if the student/staff member is medically fragile an additional screening may take place at school by the school nurse or other trained staff member.</p> <p>If any screening question is answered “yes”, the student/staff member will be excluded from school/work until cleared by a medical provider and/or “Returning to Pre-K-12 School” guidelines are met. Students/staff who become ill at school or who do not meet symptom/exposure screening requirements while in the school buildings will be isolated immediately via the health office and sent home as soon as possible. The student/staff member will not be permitted to return to school until cleared by a physician and/or “Returning to Pre-K-12</p>

	<p>School” guidelines are met. A student or staff member who is quarantined following close contact with a case may not return to school until cleared to do so by ACHD/DOH. These students will be incorporated in the virtual school model fluidly until they are able to return to the school building. These mitigation efforts will be continually reviewed and revised to follow CDC/PDE/DOH/ACHD recommendations.</p> <p>When a building is notified of a positive COVID-19 case, the school nurse will immediately notify the Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) and administration. Using guidance from ACHD, the school nurse will collaborate with administration to determine next steps necessary to prevent the spread of illness. The district will communicate with families and the community as directed by the county health officials while protecting the privacy and confidentiality of the individual who was confirmed positive.</p> <p>School nurses and administrators will be trained on the requirements for monitoring student and staff health. This will be completed in the weeks before school starts virtually with collaboration from ACDH and our school physician.</p>
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Other Considerations for Students and Staff

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
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*** Protecting students and staff at higher risk for severe illness**

*** Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff**

*** Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older students (as appropriate)**

Unique safety protocols for students with complex needs or other vulnerable individuals

Strategic deployment of staff

The Upper St. Clair School District will follow the PA Mask Order in all district buildings. Students/Staff unable to wear a mask due to medical exemption will be required to provide a written statement from their physician. These individuals will be provided a clear face shield to wear in place of the mask. Students who are medically exempt from wearing a mask will have revisions made to include this in their IEP/504 documents. Individuals who work closely with a student who may not be able to wear a mask and/or socially distance will be offered additional PPE for added protection.

Students will be provided mask breaks in accordance with PA Public Health Guidelines.

Staff members and students who are at higher risk for severe illness will be offered additional PPE if warranted. Students who are medically fragile who are not able to attend school in physical buildings will be permitted to participate virtually. Staff members who are unable to work in physical buildings are directed to Human Resources who will review their options.

The district will provide a detailed training for substitutes in all areas. Substitutes will be required to participate in all training before being permitted to serve as a substitute in the buildings. Substitutes will also be required to complete the daily employee symptom/exposure screener before entering the buildings.

Upper St. Clair schools will utilize its staff members to provide instruction and related services to all students, whether learning in person or learning at home. All children will be taught by

	USC teachers using the USC curriculum. Whether learning in person or learning at home, students will have access to the full USC experience.
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Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Upper St. Clair SD** reviewed and approved the Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan on : **(AUGUST 17, 2020)**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

Yes 9

No 0

Affirmed on: **(AUGUST 17, 2020)**

By:

(Signature of Board President)*

(Print Name of Board President)

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

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