

Health and Safety Plan Summary: **Saucon Valley School District**

**Initial Effective Date: August 2, 2021**

**Date of Last Review: March 8, 2022**

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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?**

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- 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?**

The learning model for the 2022-23 school year will be in-person instruction for all students. Virtual instruction may be considered only in the event of a long-term closure. Any school days missed for short-term closure will be made up through rescheduled in-person school days. Mental health services shall be afforded to all students and families based on programmatic offerings in the buildings and external contracted mental health services. School meals will be served daily to all in- person students as a closed site.

## ARP ESSER Requirement Strategies, Policies, and Procedures

<p>a. Universal and correct wearing of masks</p>	<p>The Saucon Valley School District is committed to safe operations. The Superintendent of the schools is authorized to implement mitigation strategies as needed in response to potential outbreaks. If such measures are deemed necessary and implemented the Superintendent shall bring the matter for the board consideration and approval within 10 days or as soon as practicable. Otherwise, the measure will automatically expire if the Board has a meeting and fails to ratify the measure.</p>
<p>b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing</p>	<p>The Saucon Valley School District is committed to safe operations. The Superintendent of the schools is authorized to implement mitigation strategies as needed in response to potential outbreaks. If such measures are deemed necessary and implemented the Superintendent shall bring the matter for the board consideration and approval within 10 days or as soon as practicable. Otherwise, the measure will automatically expire if the Board has a meeting and fails to ratify the measure.</p>
<p>c. Handwashing and hygiene etiquette</p>	<p><b>Hygiene:</b> Staff and students are encouraged to use hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand- washing and other best practices. Personal issuance of materials will be utilized to the greatest extent possible. Hand soap, paper towels, no-touch trash cans in all bathrooms and classrooms will continue to be provided. Hand sanitizer will be provided with at least 60% alcohol, limited to current supply.</p>

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<p>d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation</p>	<p><b>Building HVAC and Air Circulation:</b> All building HVAC systems are inspected regularly, air filters are changed frequently, and additional fresh air intake will be increased. Buildings will maintain proper temperatures and air circulation.</p> <p><b>Cleaning Material Standards:</b> All cleaning supplies will meet or exceed local, state, federal recommendations.</p> <p><b>Disinfection Process:</b> Operations and Maintenance staff use approved disinfectant and a cleaning process that ensures proper dwell time, cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch surfaces and horizontal surfaces, while focusing on common gathering and public areas.</p> <p><b>Training and Instruction for Staff:</b> Operations and Maintenance staff will maintain mitigation infection and proper cleaning procedures.</p> <p><b>Visitors:</b> Visitors will be permitted in all buildings. Public events such as concerts, musicals, athletic events, Back To School Nights. etc. will be allowed. Community activities such as youth sports and community swim will be allowed.</p>
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<p>e. Contact tracing</p>	<p>COVID – 19 is considered a reportable communicable disease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspected or known positive cases are recommended to be reported to the SVSD school building nurse</li> </ul>
<p>f. Diagnostic and screening testing;</p>	<p>Symptom screening will be accomplished by all parents/guardians, faculty and staff at home each morning before arriving at school. Any individual registering a temperature of 100.4 or above should not report to school until their body temperature returns to normal and the individual has been fever free without medication for 24 hours.</p>

g. Efforts to provide vaccinations	A vaccination clinic was conducted on June 9, 2021 at the SVMS for all interested community members. A follow up second dose clinic occurred on June 30, 2021.
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h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies and assessing academic needs.	<p>Target interventions and supports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilize existing screening and diagnostic protocols to identify students who have regressed academically or are not meeting mastery expectations. IEP meetings must be held and IEP Revisions completed for additional support, modifications, interventions, and accommodations identified through the team process.</li> </ul>
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i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	The Saucon Valley School District will collaborate with our public health partners and may coordinate with state and local health officials to respond to an emergency outbreak. The Superintendent of the schools is authorized to implement mitigation strategies as needed in response to potential outbreaks. If such measures are deemed necessary and implemented the Superintendent shall bring the matter for the board consideration and approval within 10 days or as soon as practicable. Otherwise, the measure will automatically expire if the Board has a meeting and fails to ratify the measure.
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