

USBE Reopening Plan Assurances

Board of Education Meeting

July 7



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- LEAs are required to develop comprehensive local plans
- Provide assurances that specific state requirements have been met
- Template provided by USBE
- Submission August 1, 2020
- USBE is not approving local plans, only reviewing



Additional Documents

- USBE Reopening Requirements and Recommendations
- USBE School Reopening Planning Handbook
- Governor's Office Phased Guidelines v4.7
- Leavitt Partners Mitigating Risks Framework
- USBE School Reopening Requirements Template



Requirements Areas

- Training
- Accommodating Individual Circumstances
- Enhanced Environment Hygiene and Safety
- Attendance Plans
- Transportation
- Mitigation for Specific School Settings



Risk Mitigation – Situational Characteristics

- Movement
- Duration
- Proximity
- Group Size
- Respiratory Output
- Touch
- Congestion



Training and Communication

- Reopening Plan Professional Learning
 - Friday August 14
 - District supported and principal conducted
 - Protocols
 - Action plans
 - Examples symptom monitoring, sick procedures, contact tracing, confirmed case, etc.
- Educate students and caregivers
 - Protocols and action plans
 - Materials available in a variety of languages
 - "If you feel sick, please stay home", etc.
 - Transparent communication of health issues while protecting privacy



Accommodating Individual Circumstances

- Review all current plans (e.g. individual healthcare plans, 504, IEP)
 - Recognize emotional and social needs of students in decision making
- Provide alternate learning arrangement of distance learning
 - Request process
 - Professional learning
 - Communication plan
- Reasonable steps to minimize and mitigate risk for employees
 - Recognize emotional and social needs of educators in decision making



Enhanced Environment Hygiene and Safety

- Protocols for increased cleaning and hygiene regimen
 - Intervals of thorough cleaning
 - Classrooms, Restrooms, Gym, Cafeteria, Commons, Media Center, Office, Playground, Etc.
 - High touch surfaces
 - Lockers preferably not used
 - Doors should be propped open
 - Equipment
 - Drinking fountains not used, preferably bring water bottles
- Employees wear face coverings (masks or shields)
- Hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, readily available
- Health and safety procedures part of regular instruction



Attendance Plans

- Dismissal Schedule
- Modified Schedule
- Regular Schedule
- All schedules share a component of distance learning



Attendance Plans – Modified Schedule

- Monday Thursday
- Students divided in half alphabetically in each network
- Half attend Monday and Wednesday
- Half attend Tuesday and Thursday
- Fridays are distance learning



Transportation

- Driver will be required to wear a mask
- Students will be required to wear a mask
 - Additional masks will be made available to students
- Intervals of thorough cleaning
- Field trips may occur depending on activity



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Specific School Settings and Mitigation Planning

- Classrooms
- Transitions
- Entry/Exit Points
- Restrooms
- Cafeteria
- Large Group Gathering
- Unique courses
- Recess and Playground
- Related Services



Risk Mitigation – Situational Characteristics

- Masks The best mitigator
 - Required for employees
 - Provided for every employee
 - Face shields for specific needs
 - Required for students while riding the bus
 - Provided to students
 - Highly encouraged for students while in school
 - Provided to students
 - Concerns Over Carbon Dioxide
 - Mask material and carbon dioxide particles

