

Health and Safety Plan Summary: Salisbury-Elk Lick School District

Initial Effective Date: July 15, 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?

The health and safety of the students, staff, and our community is a top priority of the Salisbury-Elk Lick School District. The school board and our school pandemic Team continue to make decisions in response to the ongoing challenge of Covid-19 utilizing the best resources available.

In response to the expiration of statewide mitigation orders, the Salisbury-Elk Lick School District has identified organizational standards and expectations which outline the protocols and procedures expected of all students and staff members. These include the following:

- **Self-screening for COVID-19 symptoms**
- **Following communicable disease reporting procedures**
- **Practicing hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette • Optional use of face coverings / adherence to health and safety plans of locations served**
- **Cleaning and disinfecting one's workspace,**
- **Maintaining physical distancing protocols to the maximum extent feasible**
- **Staying informed of CDC's guidance relative to travel**
- **Monitoring communication and confidentiality**
- **Participating in required training (current employees as well as new hires as part of their onboarding process)**
- **Staying informed and maintaining best practices Expectations are based on the latest mandates issued by the Governor's Office, the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH), the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE), the Department of Human Services (DHS), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**
- **The Administrative Team and Pandemic Team will continue to monitor communications. As conditions change related to COVID-19, protocols are subject to change.**

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 Salisbury-Elk Lick School District developed and implemented a virtual learning program last school year that was very successful. This program will continue in the 2021-2022 school year. All students, K-12, will have the option of choosing to be a virtual learner or an in-person learner. The district has purchased technology for all students and staff and this program allows for students to be in all their classrooms from home in a synchronous format. All students will have a device and if families need a hot spot for internet, the district will provide one. The district has also used funding to purchase social emotional learning programming available to all students and staff. We are also implementing a schoolwide Catalyst Action Team. The district also offers breakfast and lunch to all learners, including virtual learners.

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
a. Universal and correct wearing of <u>masks</u> ;	As of June 28, 2021, face coverings are optional for all individuals, including staff and students. The district will maintain this policy unless the state of Pennsylvania mandates for all public places a change in this area.
b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	The District will separate individuals to the maximum extent feasible to maintain social distancing recommendations for students and staff. Limit the number of teacher changes when possible. Increase space among students during in-person instruction. Limiting the use of common areas (halls, cafeteria, playground, library, gym, etc.) within the school building Decreasing the number of people in common areas through flexible scheduling Separate students within common areas

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	<p>(to reduce roaming) Implement standard workplace social distancing measures for teachers and other staff. Having a dedicated custodian cleaning/disinfecting – high touch points, increasing frequency. Dedicated to disinfecting throughout the day. Promoting cleaning used areas by ALL. Checklists. Quality Checks. Classrooms – reduce class size, adjusted schedule, and outdoor time as appropriate, provide virtual learning opportunity. Student belongings (backpack, books, etc.), use of shared materials, how to enter and exit. Develop a schedule and seating patterns so that student and staff groupings are as static as possible.</p>
<p>c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</u></p>	<p>Handwashing/Sanitizer use – upon arrival and departure from school, before eating, after play, after sneezing. Display signs. Washing hands/disinfecting hands in between each class change</p>
<p>d. <u>Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;</u></p>	<p>Cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting will be a daily routine in the District. This includes the cleaning, disinfecting and sanitizing of surfaces, classrooms, restrooms, fountains, and transportation vehicles. All common areas will be properly cleaned daily! Checklist of work will be maintained. A first aid/medication station inside the Nurse’s Office, with separation, is available to provide services. Ventilation – all units in classrooms and offices have fresh air intake capabilities, windows/doors open in classrooms, fans and air purifiers as needed and recommended.</p>

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<p>e. <u>Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine</u>, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</p>	<p>The PA department of Health considers Covid-19 a communicable disease and is therefore listed as a reportable disease. As such:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff are required to report suspected or known case of Covid-19 to their supervisor in a timely manner. • Staff must follow the recommendation of their attending physician. • SELSD will contact the PA DOH and follow their guidance for appropriate action.
<p>f. <u>Diagnostic and screening testing</u>;</p>	<p>Staff are required to follow the recommendation of their attending physician and DOH directives as it relates to diagnostic screening.</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school communities</u>;</p>	<p>SELSD will continue to collaborate with local health care providers and communicate with all students, staff, and community opportunities available for vaccines.</p>
<p>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and</p>	<p>The SELSD will engage in collaboration with all IEP team members to meet the health care needs of students with disabilities through the IEP process.</p>
<p>i. Coordination with state and local health officials.</p>	<p>SELSD will continue to maintain and seek out additional partnerships with local and state agencies to assist us in our efforts to maintain a healthy and safe educational environment and to educate our students, staff, and community as best we can with regards to Covid-19 and any other health related concerns.</p>

Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for the Salisbury-Elk Lick School District reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on July 14, 2021.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

8 Yes

0 No

Affirmed on: July 14, 2021

By:

Wendell Yoder

(Signature* of Board President)

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