

District Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services

PART I.

Describe how the district 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 policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC:

- (A) Universal and correct wearing of masks.

We are not requiring masks for the 2023-24 school year. Wearing masks will be optional. We will continue to communicate with the McPherson County Health Department as needed.

- (B) Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding).

We are not planning on any modifications to our facilities for the 2023-24 school year.

- (C) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette.

We will encourage proper hygiene protocols for students and staff. This will include handwashing as needed, covering their nose/mouth when coughing or sneezing, etc.... We are not planning to require the use of hand sanitizer.

- (D) Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation.

We will continue to keep our buildings clean to provide a safe learning environment for all students and staff.

- (E) Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments.

We will continue to communicate with the McPherson County Health Department as needed.

- (F) Diagnostic and screening testing.

We will continue to work with our school nurse as needed.

- (G) Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities.

The district is not planning to provide vaccinations to the school community. There are opportunities for vaccinations in nearby cities for those that are interested.

- (H) Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies.

We will follow state and federal guidelines for children with disabilities.

- (I) Coordination with State and local health officials.

We will coordinate with State, County, and local officials as needed.

Part II.

Describe how the district will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to:

- (A) services to address students' academic needs

We will monitor student's academic needs through both formal and informal assessments.

- (B) students' and staff social, emotional, mental health

We will monitor and address the social, emotional, and mental health of our students and staff. We have two full-time counselors to assist with this.

- (C) other needs, which may include student health and food services.

We will follow Federal, State, County, and local guidelines for student health and food services.