

Cimarron-Ensign Unified School District #102

Preparing Students To Be Responsible, Productive Citizens

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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

The wearing of facemasks in USD 102 is recommended at this time. However, any staff or student will have the choice as to whether to wear a mask. Further guidance from KDHE and the Gray County Health Department will be taken into consideration.

If needed, the USD 102 Board of Education may adopt reasonable safety measures to protect the safety of district personnel, students, and visitors during school-related activities. Appropriate safety measures may include, but may not be limited to, cleaning and sanitization plans, use of physical safeguards and barriers, and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE). Exceptions to any requirements may be granted as required by law, state, county, and/or local health officials and on a case-by-case basis. The district will continue to monitor national, state, and local government and health agency mandates, guidance, and recommendations.

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

 Physical distancing is recommended in USD 102 at this time. Further guidance from the KDHE and the Gray County Health Department will be taken under advisement.
- (C) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette.

Handwashing and respiratory etiquette will continue to be implemented in USD 102. Signage will continue to be posted throughout our buildings as reminders of handwashing and respiratory etiquette. In addition, hand sanitizing stations and liquids will be made available for use in all classrooms.

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

 Custodial staff have been and will continue to follow cleaning protocols and procedures.

 USD 102 will continue to use cleaning solutions to eliminate the COVID-19 virus and replace ventilation filters as necessary.
- (E) Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments.

USD 102 employs a nurse, who, along with the building principals, will complete all contact tracing documentation when needed. In addition, the nurse will continue to work with the school administration and contact individuals who have been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID and recommend that those individuals follow current quarantine/self-isolation guidelines and recommendations. USD 102 will follow local County Health Department Guidelines regarding contact tracing, isolation, and quarantine.

(F) Diagnostic and screening testing.

Students, staff, and community members can access COVID-19 diagnostic or screening tests through various community partners and the USD 102 TEst to Stay and Learn program. In addition, the school nurse and support staff will continue to monitor for symptoms and request that students and staff seek medical services as appropriate.

(G) Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities

Vaccination opportunities are provided to local staff. Local agencies and pharmacies are making vaccinations available to students. The District will not refuse, withhold from, or deny a person any services, goods, facilities, advantages, privileges, licensing, educational opportunities, health care access, or employment opportunities based on the person's COVID-19 vaccination status.

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

USD 102 will provide reasonable, necessary, and appropriate accommodations to its policies and practices for students with disabilities as determined by individual student needs and in accordance with an individual's documented accommodations and/or individualized education plan (IEP). Parents or guardians of students requiring accommodations should contact the applicable building administrator(s) to request information on plans for students with disabilities

(I) Coordination with State and local health officials

Applicable district personnel currently participate and will continue to participate, with our local county health department and/or agencies on a frequent basis to determine the next steps 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

USD 102 is considering a credit recovery program to assist students with academic recovery in grades 7 thru 12. The district plans to continue full-time, in-person instruction beginning the fall of 2021.

(B) Students' and staff social, emotional, mental health

USD 102 employs K-12 staff to monitor and address the social and emotional learning needs of our students. The school will continue to partner with social workers and local mental health services with the goal of helping students and families overcome obstacles by connecting to the school.

USD 102 provides staff with opportunities for social and emotional help. Staff social and emotional wellness and mental health were considered last year and will be considered again this coming year.

(C) Other needs, which may include student health and food services

Students will be provided free meals throughout the 2021-2022 school year.