

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

Initial Effective Date: July 15, 2021

Date of Last Review: August 10, 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?

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 as revised by new protocols.**
- **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?

Any students in grades 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. If a student wants to be a virtual learner, they will be enrolled in the Extended Campus Virtual Learning School. 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 as outlined in our food service program.

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> ;	<p>CDC guidelines as of February 22, 2022 implementation: Salisbury Elk Lick School District implemented and will continue to follow the Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for masking. Masking is not recommended in schools and early education settings in areas with low or medium COVID – 19 risk. The recommendations may be changed due to increase of cases in our area. Students may voluntarily wear masks and parent must provide masks for their child.</p> <p>According to the CDC's website, "effective February 25, 2022, CDC does not require wearing of masks on buses or vans operated by the public or private school systems, including early care and education/childcare programs. " Any student or staff member may voluntarily wear a mask.</p>
b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	The District will continue to maintain healthy social distancing practices per CDC guidance and updated transmission rates of Covid. The district will maintain

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	a dedicated custodian for disinfecting throughout the day per protocol. The district will maintain a schedule and seating patterns that have been effective in prevention of transmission of Covid.
c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette</u> ;	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
d. <u>Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation</u> ;	Cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting will be a daily routine in the District as per protocol. This includes the cleaning, disinfecting and sanitizing of surfaces, classrooms, restrooms, fountains, and transportation vehicles. 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.
e. <u>Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine</u> , in collaboration with the State and local health departments;	A student or staff member who is diagnosed positive for COVID will isolate for five days from the onset of symptoms. Household contacts will remain home for 24 hours unless they are fully vaccinated. COVID testing will be offered with parent permissions to rule out infection of asymptomatic individuals. SELSD reserves the right to impose all restrictions if the COVID case rate increases to the “high” category.
f. <u>Diagnostic and screening testing</u> ;	The Test to Stay COVID testing has been suspended. If symptoms develop or

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	concern of an exposure occurs, COVID testing will be offered with parent permission.
g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school communities</u> ;	SELSD will continue to collaborate with local health care providers and communicate with all students, staff, and community opportunities available for vaccines.
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	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.
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	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. The district will adhere to reporting mandates and submit aggregate case numbers to the PA DOH on a weekly basis using the Future Ready Comprehensive Planning Portal.

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**. It was revised on August 11, 2021, again on September 8, 2021, January 12, 2022, March 9, 2022, and August 10, 2022

The plan was approved by a vote of:

_____ **Yes**

_____ **No**

Affirmed on: July 14, 2021, Revised August 11, 2021. Revised on September 8, 2021 to meet the Governor's new order announced on August 31, 2021, March 9, 2021, and updated at the board meeting on August 10, 2022.

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