

Health and Safety Plan Summary: Bedford County Technical Center

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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?

To the extent practical, the BCTC will follow CDC Guidelines and continue to implement COVID-19 mitigation strategies during the 2022-23 school year. Examples of strategies include, but are not limited to, providing sanitation stations throughout the building, encouraging routine hand washing and proper hygiene, maximizing the use of facility space to maintain physical distancing, etc.

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?

We will continue to utilize the resources available to us when students are identified as needing additional services. For example, instructional aids will work with students in small groups to provide academic support. The school counselor will provide social, emotional, and mental health services to students and staff when needed.

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> ;	The wearing of face coverings will not be mandatory, but will be encouraged as conditions warrant.
b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	Any nonessential furniture and equipment will be removed to create more space for distancing. Physical distancing will be maintained to the greatest extent possible during class and shop work.

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c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette</u> ;	Continue to teach and reinforce proper hygiene throughout the school year. Handwashing stations are set up in each program area and sanitizing stations are located throughout the building. Students and staff will be encouraged to wash their hands frequently, especially after handling tools and equipment.
d. <u>Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation</u> ;	Continue to daily clean and sanitize classrooms, labs/workstations, hallways, and other high touch areas as appropriate. Ventilation system filters will be changed on a regular basis.
e. <u>Contact tracing</u> in combination with <u>isolation</u> and <u>quarantine</u> , in collaboration with the State and local health departments;	We will coordinate with the DOH, when appropriate, regarding contact tracing, isolation and quarantine.
f. <u>Diagnostic</u> and screening testing;	Students and staff will be encouraged to stay home when exhibiting COVID-like symptoms. In addition, students and staff will be encouraged to get a COVID test when exhibiting COVID-like symptoms.
g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school communities</u> ;	Vaccinations continue to be made available to the community by local healthcare providers. Parents and students have the option to receive the vaccination from their PCP, at their local healthcare provider or a local clinic.
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	Any necessary accommodations will be addressed by the special education director at the sending schools. The school counselor at the BCTC will coordinate the accommodation plans with the BCTC staff for implementation.
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	All coordination with state and local health officials will be accomplished through the administrative director or his designee.

Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Bedford County Technical Center** reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on **August 9, 2022**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

 X Yes

 No

Affirmed on: **August 9, 2022**

By:



(Signature of JOC Chairperson)

Jay B. Cessna

(Print Name of JOC Chairperson)