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Lawrenceburg Community School Corporation



COVID-19 Return to In-Person Instruction (IPI) Plan
2023-2024 School Year

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Introduction

As part of the requirement to receive federal COVID-19 stimulus money, a school corporation must present a Return to In-Person Instruction (IPI) Plan to the board for board approval and review and revise as needed every six months. The original plan was submitted to the Indiana Department of Education by the June 15, 2021 deadline.

Per Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 21-15 dated May 25, 2021, "as of July 1, 2021, local school boards and/or the relevant governing bodies of all public and private K-12 educational institutions will be responsible for implementing whatever measures and restrictions deemed necessary and prudent to address the impact and spread of COVID-19 for their buildings, facilities and ground to include transportation."

Based on Dearborn County Department of Health guidance, when there is a prolonged period of moderate to high community spread, the administration may consider continuing traditional school in grades K-5, while providing a hybrid model for grades 6-12 with strict social distancing. LCSC will make reasonable efforts to follow local recommendations.

We will continue to offer online learning as an option for the school year through a third-party vendor. This option is recommended for parents of children with underlying health conditions, or children of parents who have an underlying health condition, or children of parents who work in essential healthcare facilities and other essential careers. Deadlines for enrollment during the school year are available each semester and require a semester-long commitment. The deadline for this semester is closed. Extenuating circumstances are reviewed on a case-by-case scenario.

Just as the school system is flexible, parents will need to be flexible as well. As the COVID-19 is a rapidly changing pandemic, our protocols and procedures will need to change to meet the needs of our students. Stricter guidelines may need to be put in place and implemented if the number of COVID-19 cases rise in our area.

Appendix A - Cleaning and Sanitizing Procedures

Routine cleaning and disinfecting are an important part of reducing the risk of exposure to COVID-19. Normal routine cleaning with soap and water alone can reduce risk of exposure and is a necessary step before you disinfect surfaces.

Daily Cleaning

All high traffic touch point surfaces, classroom, common area, and office surfaces (desks, tables, chairs, whiteboards, etc) will be cleaned with an EPA-approved disinfectant. Parents can request a list of disinfectants by contacting Mr. John Ferguson, Director of Maintenance, john.ferguson@lburg.k12.in.us.

School Clinic

School nurses will disinfect their general work area after each student using a provided disinfectant wipe, when feasible. Custodians will clean and disinfect all office areas each evening. All office surfaces (desks, tables, chairs, etc) will be cleaned with an EPA-approved disinfectant.

Water Fountains

Students may bring their own filled water bottle to school. Students will take the water bottle home daily for sanitation. Drinking fountains with and without water bottle filling capacity will be available.

Hand Sanitizer

Hand sanitizer will be provided at school entry areas, made available in classrooms and encouraged to be used liberally.

Appendix B - Preventative Measures - Students and Staff

Preventative Measures - Staff and Students

The priority for preventing the spread of disease in the school setting is to insist that sick employees and students stay home.

Handwashing and avoiding touching your face, eyes, nose, or mouth are also important steps a person can take to avoid becoming sick or spreading germs to others. Students are required to wash their hands often and if soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol. The school will provide ample hand sanitizer throughout the building. The school will reinforce healthy habits regarding hand washing during key times and regularly scheduled breaks. Some of these key times include:

- Start of the school day
- Before and after eating
- After using the restroom
- After blowing nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After using shared equipment

Students may bring their own filled water bottle to school. Students will take the water bottle home daily for sanitation. Drinking fountains with and without water bottle filling capacity will be available.

Contact Tracing

Positive COVID-19 cases and close contacts will be traced and reported to the county and state per any local, state or federal requirement.