

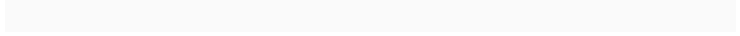
ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan Guidance & Template

Section 2001(i)(1) of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act requires each local education agency (LEA) that receives funding under the ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund to develop and make publicly available on the LEA's website a *Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan*, hereinafter referred to as a *Health and Safety Plan*.

Based on ARP requirements, 90 percent of ARP ESSER funds will be distributed to school districts and charter schools based on their relative share of Title I-A funding in FY 2020-2021. **Given Federally required timelines, LEAs eligible to apply for and receive this portion of the ARP ESSER funding must submit a Health and Safety Plan that meets ARP Act requirements to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) by Friday, July 30, 2021, regardless of when the LEA submits its ARP ESSER application.**

Each LEA must create a Health and Safety Plan that addresses how it will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff, and which will serve as local guidelines for all instructional and non-instructional school activities during the period of the LEA's ARP ESSER

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Health and Safety Plan Summary: **School District of the City of Erie**

Initial Effective Date: **July 26th, 2021**

Date of Last Review: **July 26th, 2021/ December 1st, 2021/June 15th, 2022/March 8th, 2023/November 8th, 2023**

Date of Last Revision: **N/A**

1. How will the LEA, to the greatest extent practicable, support

From an academic standpoint the District is committed to keep the class size for in-person learning below 20 students **at the elementary level**. Studies have shown that when class size is at or below 20 students, the students are able to engage with the teacher more frequently, and learning improves.

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 masks	On June 30 th , 2021 the Board of School Directors approved a motion to amend the current Health and Safety Plan to include the CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health's guidance on face coverings. Masks will still be required of all individuals regardless of vaccination status when on public or district run transportation.
b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding)	The District is setting up classrooms throughout the District to allow for at least three feet of social distancing when applicable. At the elementary and middle school level students will be placed in pods or self-contained as to limit the number of individuals any one student interacts with.
c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette	As we did during the 2020-21 school year students will learn proper handwashing and respiratory etiquette. Signs will be placed through our buildings reminding students of both handwashing and respiratory etiquette.
d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation	

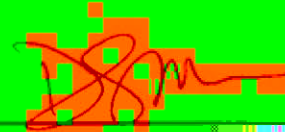


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	capacity. The Pandemic Coordinator will have regular ongoing communication with the county department of health to ensure the district is up to date with the most current information and guidance as given by the CDC and the state health officials.

Health and Safety Plan Cover Sheet Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees

By:



HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN