



ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan Guidance & Template

Health and Safety Plan Summary: **South Williamsport Area School District**

Initial Effective Date: August 31, 2021

Date of Last Review: May 22, 2023

Date of Last Revision: November 20, 2023

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?
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?
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 ;	Unless approved by the Board of Directors, or determined by the Superintendent due to an emergency situation, face masks are not required, but

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	are allowed, in schools. Emergency decisions by the superintendent must receive Board approval at its next regular board meeting.
b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	Because we are no longer in a pandemic, the district is using normal student grouping practices and classroom spacing.
c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette ;	The district will continue to emphasize healthy habits for handwashing and respiratory etiquette
d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation ;	The district will continue to follow CDC recommendations and industry standards for facilities.
e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine , in collaboration with the State and local health departments;	The district will follow the requirements of Title 28 Pa. Code Chapter 27 relating to notification and exclusion of students.
f. Diagnostic and screening testing;	The district will not conduct any diagnostic screening for COVID-19
g. Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities ;	Without Board approval, the district will not host a vaccination clinic.
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	The district will ensure FAPE for all students.
i. Coordination with state and local health officials.	The district will continue to communicate proactively with the PA-DOH and other community health professionals as necessary.

Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **South Williamsport Area School District** reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on **November 20, 2023**

The plan was approved by a vote of:

7 Yes

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Affirmed on: **November 20, 2023**

By:



(Signature* of Board President)

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(Print Name of Board President)

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