



Applicant: 29 2360 Jackson Township - Ocean

ARP Safe Return Plan ▾

Application: ARP Safe Return Plan - 00-
Cycle: Amendment 1

Project Period: 9/1/2021 - 8/31/2022

SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION

(1) IN GENERAL - A local educational agency receiving funds under this section shall develop and make publicly available on the local educational agency’s website, not later than 30 days after receiving the allocation of funds described in paragraph (d) (1), a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services.

2) COMMENT PERIOD.—Before making the plan described in paragraph (1) publicly available, the local educational agency shall seek public comment on the plan and take such comments into account in the development of the plan.

Support for Schools: Describe how the LEA will support its schools in safely returning to in-person instruction and sustaining safe operation. This description must include:

For each mitigation strategy listed below, please describe 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 policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

LEA Response Table

1) Universal and correct wearing of masks
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Following the lifting of the Governor's executive order, there is no mandate for mask wearing in any area of the Jackson School District. Anyone who voluntarily chooses to wear a mask is supported by the district in their decision.

2) Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding)
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The district is no longer using physical distancing throughout the school day. This

includes school buses, classrooms, cafeterias and athletics. Students and staff are encouraged to be respectful of each other's personal space.

3) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

All students are encouraged to wash hands and use proper respiratory etiquette. Signs are placed throughout the schools and in bathrooms with hand washing and respiratory etiquette reminders.

4) Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The district facilities department is maintaining detailed cleaning and maintenance procedures throughout the district.

5) Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

As per the recommendations of the CDC and the NJ Department of Health, the district is no longer contact tracing or enforcing quarantines for close contacts.

6) Diagnostic and screening testing
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The state has removed our agency for screening testing. The district has not provided a new agency. Individual student test kits that were given to the district by the Department of Health have been distributed to the schools. Staff and students that are seeking testing can use the provided tests or obtain testing individually.

7) Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The district will continue to notify the staff and students of any vaccination opportunities as they become available. On our district website, vaccination opportunities are posted as well as a link to the vaccine finder website.

8) Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies
([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The needs and accommodations for our special education students are addressed through the Child Study Teams and school administration. Any accommodations needed for children with disabilities are provided. All students are taught proper hand washing etiquette.



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Safe Return Plan Updated

Safe Return Plan text and assurances must be agreed to every six months.

Date Plan Updated

Describe how the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Utilizing ARP funds, the Jackson School District has maintained full time guidance counselors in every school as well as provided counselors in the summer months for students. Staff members (teachers, technicians, nurses and custodians) are being funded through ARP fund for the 22-23 school year that are essential for lower class sizes to enhance instruction, attending to health needs in the schools, servicing district technology devices for all staff and students and maintaining a clean environment. Teacher leaders are being used to provide assistance to staff members in the areas of academic and social emotional learning.

Professional Development funded through ARP funding will be ongoing throughout the 22-23 school year.

Describe how the LEA sought public comment on its plan, and how it took those public comment into account in the development of its plan. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Administrative input on our school plan is maintained on a continuous basis at monthly meetings with administrators, staff and local school committees. Our district DEAC committee meets on a monthly basis and provides input on the needs of the school district. We have public comment sessions at our monthly Board of Education Meetings. Comments from parents pertaining to the school plans are reviewed with the Board and administrative team. The district meets with the Jackson Education Association monthly and discusses all aspects of our school plan. Existing parent survey feedback has been utilized in the district plan and selecting school programs that have been offered to students beyond the school day. All of these inputs are taken into account with the return to school plan and any updates.

Describe how the LEA ensured that the plan is in an understandable and uniform format; is to the extent practicable written in a language that parents can understand or, if not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, will be orally translated for such a parent; and upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, will be provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

The superintendent addressed the school community at the start of the school year via a presentation and a video. Any relevant updates are disseminated through our website, emails and/or at monthly board meetings. All presentations and notifications are translated into Spanish and both versions are posted to the district website in a clear, understandable and uniform format.

The district will continue to provide regular updates to the community through video, emails and the district website as necessary.

Briefly describe any guidance, professional learning, and technical assistance opportunities the LEA will make available to its schools. ([count] of 1000 maximum characters used)

Using ARP funds, the district has provided Teacher Leaders for the 22-23 school year. These teachers provide ongoing professional development for the staff in the areas of academics, technology and social emotional strategies. The district has 4 days of professional development and has added 3 additional half day trainings to provide ongoing PD

opportunities. The administrative team had a week-long training in the summer focusing on positive behavior supports, mental health action planning for staff and students and proactive student programs for the 22-23 school year. Events that will be scheduled during the school year include ELL family nights, parent support for students' mental health, technical assistance workshops for parents and other events and activities will be scheduled throughout the year.

Provide current link to the district's website where the plan is posted.

<https://www.jacksonsd.org/domain/2622>

By checking this box and saving the page, the applicant hereby certifies that they will assure that the information contained in the Safe Return to School plans will be updated within this system every 6 months during this grant project period.

Assurances Fully Agreed to By:

Robert Rotante, Assistant Superintendent