Health and Safety Plan Summary: Loyalsock Township School District

Initial Effective Date: July 21, 2022

Date of Last Review: July 20, 2022

Date of Last Revision: July 20, 2022

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?

The Loyalsock Township School District is committed to providing in-person learning to the maximum extent possible. The District will continue to consider information and guidance received from the Center for Disease Control, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

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?

The Loyalsock Township School District will continue to utilize a broad range of services to ensure the continuity of services including academic, social, emotional and mental health needs. To support both students and staff, we will utilize our counselors, school outreach worker, trauma counselor, outside mental health and support agencies and mental health programs. We will continue to provide food services for all students and students will be entitled to one free breakfast and one free lunch each school day during the 2022-2023 school year. The continuity of services will continue regardless of the in-person or remote learning.

 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.

ARF	PESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
a.	Universal and correct wearing of masks;	The wearing of masks is optional. The District will continue to have masks available for those students and staff who choose to wear a mask. The District will continue to monitor community levels of transmission.
b.	Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical</u> <u>distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	The District will continue to monitor physical distancing and spacing protocols established in classrooms. Floor space will be maximized and cohort groups will

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ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
	be used to limit mixing of students where possible.
c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</u>	The Loyalsock Township School District will continue to educate our students and staff on safe and healthy hygiene practices. This includes hand washing, hand sanitizer, covering your mouth when coughing and sneezing, and encouraging both students and staff to stay home when they display symptoms or are sick.
 d. <u>Cleaning</u> and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving <u>ventilation</u>; 	We will continue to follow recommended guidelines for cleaning, disinfecting, sanitizing, and ventilation practices already established in our school district.
e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and guarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;	The District will no longer contact trace close contacts in the school setting. Students and staff who test positive will be quarantined as recommended by the CDC. Asymptomatic close contacts will not be required to be quarantined. The school notification system will be used as necessary to notify parents/guardians of any concerns.
f. <u>Diagnostic</u> and screening testing;	The District will continue to educate and advise our students, staff, and families of the signs and symptoms of illness that may require them to be out of school or work for a period of time.
g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school</u> <u>communities;</u>	Vaccinations are not required for students and staff. The District will share information from health care providers or other agencies regarding vaccination opportunities for students, staff and the community.
h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	The District will continue to offer a free and appropriate public education for all students. This includes appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities including any necessary modifications with respect to our health and safety policies.
 i. Coordination with state and local health officials. 	Loyalsock Township School District will continue to work with both state and local health officials to ensure the health and safety of our students, staff and community. We continue to seek input as needed and maintain a healthy work

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ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
	relationship with both our local and state agencies.

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Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for Loyalsock Township School District reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on. July 20, 2022

The plan was approved by a vote of:		
Yes		
No		
Affirmed on: July 20, 2022.		
Ву:		
Causlys R. Strickland		
(Signature* of Board President)		
Dr. Carolyn Strickland		
(Print Name of Board President)		

*Electronic signatures on this document are acceptable using one of the two methods detailed below.

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