



Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (ARP Act)

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

Duncan Unified School District #2

2. Entity ID Number*

4228

3. CTDS Number*

060202000

4. Plan's Primary Contact Name*

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Please submit your Safe Return to In-Person Learning Plan every six months from your prior submission date.

Revision Timeline: May 2023-September 2023

7. Since your last submission date, when did your LEA last review and/or revise your plan? Please provide the updated mm/dd/yyyy of your review/revision. This date should be updated from your last submission. *

06/12/2023

All LEAs receiving ESSER III funds must make publicly available on their website, a plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services. Please list the link where the plan/template is posted on the LEA's website.

8. Insert the link below with directions on how to find your LEA's Safe Return to In-Person plan located on your LEA website (do not link directly to the PDF). The plan must be on the ADE template that will be downloaded from EMAC after completing your responses.*

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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 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

9. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on universal and correct wearing of masks?*

Yes

10. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on universal and correct wearing of masks.*

We do not require masks in our school, however, we do encourage mask wearing when social distancing is compromised. We have masks in each of our buses, offices and classrooms for those who need one.

11. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding)?*

Yes

12. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding).*

We have modified our passing periods, lunch and recess times to spread out our students. In addition, we have changed our instructional areas to allow extra space for our larger classrooms.

13. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on handwashing and respiratory etiquette?*

Yes

14. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on handwashing and respiratory etiquette.*

All of our students and staff have been instructed on proper handwashing and respiratory etiquette. We provide multiple opportunities for handwashing and encourage students to wash multiple times throughout the day. Hand sanitizer is available throughout the District.

15. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation?*

Yes

16. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation.*

We have hired additional staff to sanitize highly frequented areas. This includes bathrooms, cafeteria, halls/doors and buses.
 Each classroom is equipped with cleaning supplies.
 Our ventilation system is being cleaned and upgraded frequently.
 In January of 2022 we are making an extra effort to ensure our sanitizing positions are filled and working to ensure cleanliness of our busses, and highly frequented areas in all schools.

17. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments?*

Yes

18. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments.*

The Greenlee County Health Department helps us with contact tracing. With each positive case that affects our students, we work with the County to notify those students or staff who are to be quarantined, including the extent of the quarantine.
 Parent contact is made with each of these positive cases or quarantines.

19. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on diagnostic and screening testing?*

Yes

20. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on diagnostic and screening testing.*

Any student or staff who shows symptoms of COVID are encouraged to get tested.
 Those feeling ill are told to stay home or are sent home.

21. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities?*

Yes

22. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities.*

We have held voluntary vaccinations on-site. In addition, we notify students and staff of the opportunities the County provides at our local offices to receive the vaccination.
 We do not require vaccinations for students or staff.

23. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies?*

Yes

24. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies.*

Our District provides accommodations for all children with disabilities. We have policies in place to meet the health and safety needs of children and staff with disabilities.

25. Has the LEA adopted a Governing Board policy on coordination with State and local health officials?

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Yes

26. Please describe the LEA's Governing Board policy on coordination with State and local health officials.*

The District works with State and local health officials in determining the needs of our students and staff.

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.

27. How will the LEA ensure Continuity of Services?*

Briefly describe an overview of the continuity of services and in the following questions you will provide more detailed information.

The District School Board approved in-person learning for the 21/22 school year with a return to all normal activities that take place throughout the District.

28. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services for students' academic needs?*

Academic Needs The District is committed to providing for the academic needs of all of our students. We will monitor and assess our students to determine those who show signs of learning loss. Those students will be targeted for after school tutoring and summer school services. It is our plan to recover these learning losses as quickly as possible.

29. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services for students' social, emotional, and mental health needs?*

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Needs We have hired a Counselor that will focus on the emotional health of our students. Students may be recommended by staff, parents or themselves for these services. We also are making available other outside resources to assist with our social and emotional needs.

30. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services for students' other needs?*

This may include student health and food services.

Other Needs (which may include student health and food services) We are providing a free breakfast and lunch to each of our students daily.

31. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services for staff's social, emotional, and mental health needs?*

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Needs Staff members are encouraged to discuss their social, emotional and mental health needs with their supervisor. They may also meet with our Counselor to discuss these needs. Part of our in-service time is dedicated to ensuring these needs are met as well.

32. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services for staff's other needs?*

Other Needs Staff input is valued and addressed when brought to the administration's attention.

The LEA must regularly, but no less frequently than every six months (taking into consideration the timing of significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools), review and, as appropriate, revise its plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services through September 30, 2023

33. Describe the process used to seek public input, and how that input was taken into account in the revision of the plan.*

Describe the process used to seek public input, and how that input was taken into account in the revision of the plan: Notices were sent to parents, posted online and on the school facebook pages any time changes were made to our in-person plan. We take public input at our board meetings on a monthly basis. In addition, we encourage input during other school events where the public has one-on-one access with school personnel.

After completing all responses in EMAC, save your information. Then, use the red download button to create a copy of your completed form to be uploaded to your LEA website. Once your form is uploaded to your LEA website, log back into EMAC to click the blue submit button and submit your form to be reviewed by your specialist. Your EMAC submission will not be approved unless this updated form is on your LEA website.

34. Did you upload the completed EMAC form to your LEA website?*

Yes