



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

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

Isaac Elementary School District

2. Entity ID Number*

Entity ID CTDS LEA NAME 4259

3. CTDS Number*

070405000

4. Plan's Primary Contact Name*

Aaron Harris

5. Plan's Primary Contact Email Address*

aharris@isaacschools.org

6. Plan's Primary Contact Phone Number*

6024556700

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. *

08/01/2023

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.*

<https://www.isaacschools.org/page/covid19updates>

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.*

The District requires face-coverings be worn by all, at all times, while inside district buildings. Exceptions will be made for individuals with health conditions and those who cannot easily remove the mask themselves. Alternate protection (face shields) will be provided for these individuals. Students will not be required to wear face coverings when eating or drinking.

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).*

Isaac Elementary Schools will group students into "cohorts" where possible. Cohorts are groups of students that will remain together throughout the school day and minimize to the greatest extent possible intermingling with other groups. Where cohorts are not possible, students will maintain at least 3 ft. of distance between each other, teachers will maintain a seating chart for all students. Cohorting minimizes the risk of exposure to illnesses outside of the cohort, and should a member of the cohort become infected, it facilitates contact tracing among affected students. Cohort parameters will be established at Isaac's discretion and may be assigned by classroom or other groupings as appropriate. Where possible, Isaac will limit intermingling between cohorts – student and employee groups will remain as static as possible by having the same groups of students interact with the same employees each day, and this applies during class, recess, and on buses, to the extent possible. Assigned seating in classrooms and on buses should be used at all times. Students will also maintain a 3 ft. minimum social distance between one another and 6 ft. between Isaac employees who are not fully- vaccinated whenever possible. Although this may not be feasible at all times, it will be encouraged by Isaac employees and students may be reminded of this requirement with announcements and signs.

(SEE THE DISTRICT MITIGATION PLAN)

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.*

Employees/ students shall keep their hands as clean as possible by washing using soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Employees/students shall also be reminded to wash or sanitize their hands at the following times:

- Upon arrival at school;
- After being outside for physical activity;
- After blowing one's nose, coughing, or sneezing;
- After using the restroom;
- Before and after eating or preparing food;
- After physical contact with other employees or students;
- After contact with animals or pets;
- After using shared equipment;
- Prior to leaving school for home.

(SEE THE DISTRICT MITIGATION PLAN)

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.*

Isaac employees and cleaning staff follow the CDC's Disinfecting Facilities Guide instructions Isaac has a daily cleaning and disinfecting plan for all facilities. This plan includes but not limited to high touch surfaces, bathrooms, sinks, classroom desk and chairs, shared spaces, cafeteria, floors and carpets and horizontal surfaces. Isaac ensures Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) settings are maximizing ventilation when weather conditions allow. In addition, the district has installed The Novaerus NV900W Air Purifier units in all classrooms that are in use as well as in some high-traffic areas.

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.*

Isaac will perform Contact Tracing to identify the close contacts and proximity individuals to the positive case of COVID-19. All Close contacts and Proximity individuals identified will be notified. The district follows the most up to date CDC and county recommendations regarding quarantine and isolation for both employees and students.

(SEE DISTRICT MITIGATION PLAN)

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.*

Isaac is now offering voluntary rapid testing to students and staff using the Abbott BinaxNow Rapid Antigen Diagnostic Test, a program that is provided by Maricopa County Department of Public Health. A rapid COVID-19 test detects protein fragments specific to COVID-19. The test is available for parents to pick up at District Office and will also be conducted by the school's Health Assistant and results can be expected within 15 minutes. Test are available for students and staff who are symptomatic or a close contact to an in school positive case (after 5 days of exposure).

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.***

The district, in conjunction with a local health agency, offers vaccination events for employees, students and the community. Incentives are provided to both employees and students who become fully vaccinated.

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.***

Special accommodations, along with compliance with all applicable state, federal, and local laws, shall be made for Isaac students with disabilities or those with unique medical needs. Where possible, these students should wear masks and maintain a 3 to 6 ft. social distance, and employees who interact with these students should be informed that wearing masks in their presence is uniquely important. To the extent possible, these students arrive at school at a separate, staggered start time and maintain a staggered schedule that allows for separation from other students. Virtual or distancing learning options should be readily available for these students. Isaac will also ensure that it protects the privacy of those students at higher risk for severe illness regarding underlying medical conditions.

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

*

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

Isaac Elementary School District No. 5 coordinates with state and local health officials and updates the district mitigation plan as recommended.

(SEE DISTRICT MITIGATION PLAN)

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 uses the Accelerated Learning Plan, ESSER III Plan and Mitigation Plan to ensure continuity of services.

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

The district reduced classsize and implemented 1:1 or small group tutoring during the regular school day. In addition, a before and after school program is now offered at each site for both remediation and enrichment, 6am-6pm.

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

A counselor and/or social worker is available at each school to assist the students with social, emotional needs. In addition, support is offered for students in the after school program.

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

This may include student health and food services.

Students who attend the after school program are provided a snack and given dinner prior to leaving, in addition to all students receiving free breakfast & lunch.

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

The district began a districtwide wellness program for all employees. The plan includes activities and incentives for participation.

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

Employees are provided incentives for vaccination and retention.

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.*

Isaac determines parent, family, and community expectations regarding its strategies and communications related to COVID-19 through regular two way communication and provides training and guidance on the measures it is taking with respect to COVID-19 District Mitigation Plan.

<https://www.isaacschools.org/page/covid19updates>

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