

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



LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

Mountain Oak School

2. Entity ID Number*

78873

3. CTDS Number*

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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: January 2022-June 2022, July 2022-December 2022, January 2023-June 2023, and July 2023-September 2023

7. When did your LEA last review or revise your plan within the last six months? Please provide mm/dd/yyyy.*

11/01/2022

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 the LEA's Safe Return to In-Person plan located on the website (do not link directly to the PDF). The plan must be on the ADE template that was provided. The narrative verbiage on the template must be identical to the narrative verbiage provided on this online form. *

<https://mountainoakschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Safe-Return-to-In-Person-Instruction.pdf>

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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.*

Masks are optional for both teachers and students.

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).*

Rooms are set up for spacing and distancing in the classrooms. 1-3rd grade and 5-8th grade are separate during the school day.

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.*

Students are supervised for handwashing after recess, before lunch, after lunch, and at the end of the day. Hand sanitizer was given for every class, and students were given their own personal hand sanitizer. We also have hand sanitizer stations located in all buildings.

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.*

Every classroom has an air filter. We keep windows and doors open 90% of the time unless it is raining into the windows.

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.*

We follow the county guidelines regarding quarantines. If a student or staff member were to test positive, we send a letter to families asking them to watch their children for symptoms of COVID. We let them chose to keep their child home or send them to school. If a child is identified as a close contact in a classroom, parents are asked to keep their child home for 5 days after the initial contact and watch for symptoms. We also request a negative COVID test for the child who might have been diagnosed with COVID before returning to school.

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.*

We have a rapid test kit on campus. Various staff, parents, and students have been offered the available test, and some have utilized it. If a staff member exhibits symptoms of COVID, they are asked to test before returning to work. Students who are ill and exhibiting symptoms, parents are asked to test for COVID or wait to see if symptoms become better or worse. If better, they can return to school. If symptoms get worse, we ask that they test their child for COVID.

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 do not offer vaccinations, however, we give excused absences to staff or students who need to leave during the school day for a vaccine.

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.*

These fall under a case-by-case basis. Children with immunity issues can wear a mask. Any other needs would be addressed immediately

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 county website with COVID numbers, guidance, and information is given in a link with our protocol.

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.

Mountain Oak plans to stay in person learning unless otherwise required by federal guidelines. Students who are home due to COVID related illness or quarantine are given homework by the teacher, emails for questions of teachers, and not penalized due to time missed due to COVID related absences.

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

We have Weekly academic clubs and tutoring, a Title I math and reading teacher to help with learning loss, and instructional aids in classrooms over 20 to help with direct assistance.

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

We have an Eco Therapist who teaches gardening, an Art Therapy teacher who works one on one with students referred by teachers and or parents, and a Reading Therapist to assist kids with extra assistance in assessing and working through reading struggles in our older readers 4-8. Our school counselor is available for walk in sessions

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

This may include student health and food services.

Mountain Oak is planning to start a breakfast, lunch, and snack program here at our school in our school kitchen that coordinates with local growers in a farm to table program. Our goal is to feed all children with no cost to families who are struggling.

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

If staff feels the need to take time off for social, emotional, or health needs, we will provide a substitute. We are hoping our food program will additionally support the staff's social, emotional, mental, and health needs as we will provide food to staff at minimal cost.

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

Our campus is cleaned and sanitized with steam and other natural methods that are safe to our stakeholders, and effective at disinfecting our campus. This cleaning takes place Monday-Friday across campus by a professional cleaning company.

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.*

Mountain Oak conducts parent surveys, All parents are invited to participate. Parents had notifications sent and announcements were made at parent meetings. Parent input was collected and part of the decision making process.

34. Did you make any revisions/changes to this plan from your last plan submission?*

Yes