



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

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

New Horizon School for the Performing Arts

2. Entity ID Number*

4366

3. CTDS Number*

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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. *

08/02/2023

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://nhorizon.net/state-health/safe-return-plan/>

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 CDC recommends that individuals in K-12 schools wear a mask indoors, including teachers, staff, students, and visitors regardless of vaccine status. Per legislation signed by Arizona Governor Ducey, school districts are prohibited from requiring students, staff or visitors to wear face coverings during school hours and on school property. New Horizon School for the Performing Arts (NHSPA) follows CDC guidelines but does not require masks on school property.

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).*

Physical distancing is no longer required.

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 and staff are asked to wash hands with soap and water at each transition throughout the day (after using the restroom, before lunch, after recess, etc.) If soap and water are not available, hand sanitizer stations, with at least 60% alcohol, will be available throughout the school site for students and staff to use as needed.

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.*

NHSPA will arrange for daily cleaning and disinfecting of all frequently touched surfaces in work areas. There will be assigned schedules to custodial staff for increased cleaning of surfaces and bathrooms throughout the day. NHSPA custodial and maintenance staff will provide additional cleaning services when needed for COVID cases or exposures. UVA/TiO Photocatalytic 2 Hydroxyl/Ionized Hydro-Peroxide Generator (air scrubber/purifier) and plug-in air purifiers are utilized at the school site as well. Plug in air purifiers have been distributed to the health office. In addition, NHSPA buildings have received the installation of ionization units in the facility's ventilation system.

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.***

NHSPA will coordinate with Maricopa County Health and Human Services on an as needed basis. If an individual is identified as a direct contact, NHSPA will follow disease investigation best practices and provide quarantine guidelines for individuals to follow. NHSPA will notify those individuals through email/text/phone notifications.

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.***

NHSPA recommends students who have COVID symptoms to be tested at an approved testing site. If the test comes back positive, students are required to quarantine at home and will be allowed to return to school once they receive a negative result.

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.***

CDC advises that getting a COVID-19 vaccine may help keep you from getting seriously ill or being hospitalized if a person were to contract COVID-19. Getting vaccinated yourself may also protect people around you, like unvaccinated individuals, and especially people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Per legislation signed by Arizona Governor Ducey, school districts are prohibited from requiring that a student or staff member receive a COVID-19 vaccine to participate in work or school in-person.

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.***

Accommodations for children with disabilities will follow NHSPA's mitigation plan, student IEPs, and health plans.

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.*

COVID-19 mitigation strategies follow recommended guidance from the CDC, Arizona Dept. of Health Services, and Arizona state law.

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.

NHSPA provides in-person learning for students during the 2022-2023 school year as its primary model of instruction for students.

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

Provide direct instruction and small group focused instruction, and supplemental or intensive interventions based on student need. Independent and after-school tutoring may be used to supplement or extend direct instruction. Formative and summative assessments will be used to determine student academic progress and growth.

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

Students' social, emotional, mental and health needs will be supported at the school site. Wonders curriculum is utilized for SEL three times per week to support student social, emotional and mental health needs.

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

This may include student health and food services.

Food services are available, free of charge, to all students.

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

NHSPA staff should contact the administration regarding social, emotional, and mental health needs. The administration will provide appropriate resources for staff experiencing social, emotional and mental health needs.

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

NHSPA staff should contact the administration regarding any other needs they may have. The administration will provide appropriate resources for staff.

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.*

NHSPA seeks public input on its plans through the TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More), New Horizon's parent group. In addition, the advisory board was presented with the plan and their input was instrumental in its creation. The plan is made public through the school website. The plan will be reviewed and additional input from all stakeholders will be taken into account.

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