



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

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

Pendergast Elementary School District

2. Entity ID Number*

4283

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. *

08/09/2023

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.pesd92.org/Page/426>

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?*

No

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

No

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

No

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

No

13. 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?*

No

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

No

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

No

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

No

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

No

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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.

18. 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.

Continuity of high-quality instruction for all learners remains a high priority for the entire Pendergast School District. For the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school year we are prepared to support our students and families through full time in person learning across all district campuses.

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

Students' academic needs will be supported through full time in person learning for all students following the traditional 180 day Board adopted calendar.

Staff will continue to receive training in and support learners through culturally responsive practices. This includes an emphasis on strategically identified practices and standards to meet the needs of all learners with special consideration of students with special needs, culturally and linguistically diverse learners, those from economically disadvantaged households, and students experiencing homelessness.

New curriculum and resources will help teachers to deliver instruction through a balanced use of technology that allows for seamless shifts from the traditional classroom to a virtual environment if needed.

In the event of unexpected interruptions to full-time in person instruction, students will participate in a hybrid or remote model to accommodate appropriate health and safety precautions. District classes will use Google Classroom as the primary management systems and will participate in primarily synchronous instruction to the maximum extent possible. Students and staff will continue to access core adopted instructional resources through digital components.

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

Students have continuous access to site-based counselors and/or school social workers and psychologists. District behavioral support. Staff will also provide ongoing support to students demonstrating increased needs. Schools are expanding their commitment to PBIS throughout the schools and teams will work to identify and provide services to students demonstrating additional needs.

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

This may include student health and food services.

Food stability is essential to our students' ability to meaningfully engage in learning. The PESD nutrition team will continue to provide consistent access to meals for families during in person learning as well as adjusting systems to offer support during unexpected closures.

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

The health and wellness of PESD staff members will be supported through the availability of Behavioral Health Employee Assistance program sessions at no cost. The Employee Assistance Plan (EAP) is a professional service which provides confidential assessment, referral and short-term counseling services to employees for behavioral health issues.

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

All staff will be trained on implementation of these protocols. Training will include proper use of protective personal equipment (PPE) (if applicable), face coverings, and supplies; cleaning and disinfecting; and other measures. All training will be virtual and available on Vector.

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

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

The Pendergast Elementary School District offered two opportunities for members of the public to participate in the Learning Design Community Forum which included the opportunity to provide feedback on the district's Safe Return to In-Person Instruction plan. (June 9 and June 24, 2021). A Google form was utilized to collect public feedback on the Learning Design (ESSER III) plan including the areas of the mitigation plan to be reviewed to create the Safe Return to In Person Learning. The PESD mitigation plan was reviewed in August 2023. The team reviewing the mitigation plan included site and district administrators, teachers and parents.

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.

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

Yes