



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

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Community Schools

2. Entity ID Number*

4320

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: 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. *

08/28/2023

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://ala.saltriverschools.org/about>

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 SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21
https://cdn5-ss12.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_675565/File/News/2021-2022SY/SRPMIC%20Phased%20Return%20to%20Work%20Guidelines%20V%208%2020%2021.pdf
show mask wearing required when in Phases Essential to Phase 3.
We are currently in Phase 4, masks are not required. www.srpmic-nsn.gov/covid-19

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).*

The SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21 require schools to maintain 6 ft. distancing along with wearing masks in phases 2, 2.5, and 3. See pages 7, 8, 11. We are currently in Phase 4, physical distancing is not 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.*

The SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21 requires handwashing in all phases. See page 10.

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.*

The SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21 addresses cleaning for all phases on pages 5, 6 and 16. In phase 4 supplies are provided to employees to clean and sanitize work areas and classrooms, new normal protocols are in place for Public Works cleaning of schools and classrooms.

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 SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21 addresses contact tracing on pages 10, 12 and 13. Salt River Schools no longer quarantines classrooms with positive cases. Students who test positive follow the current CDC guidelines of staying home and avoiding contact with others until symptoms have cleared. The SRPMIC epidemiologist is notified of the case and communicates with the family and the 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.*

The SRPMIC Phased Return to Work Guidelines Version 8 20 21 require parents to notify the school if a student tests positive, page 17 of guidelines. Employees use the checklist on page 20 to self screen daily.

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.*

Salt River Public Health provides free COVID-19 vaccinations for all students, school staff and Community members by appointment or walk in daily at the Community Wellness Center.

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.*

Salt River Schools follows all federal and state laws regarding accommodations for children with disabilities. All accommodations are documented in the student's IEP or 504 plan.

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

Yes

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

The Salt River Schools Superintendent/Education Director regularly meets with Tribal leaders and SRPMIC Public Health regarding COVID-19 protocols. The Superintendent has the ability to enforce mask wearing, social distancing and classroom quarantines as deemed necessary to avoid COVID-19 spread. Currently we are in Phase 4, new normal with minimal mitigation efforts.

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.

Salt River Schools ensures continuity of services through the use of Messenger to communicate immediately with all families by telephone, text message and email. All classrooms are operating in Phase 4, and the goal is to keep students in school. Microsoft Teams can be used for remote learning if the SRPMIC moves to a different phase.

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

The staff continue to meet weekly to progress monitor the needs of the students to see where adjustments may need to be made.

Progress monitoring is documented weekly on a spreadsheet.

Saturday School is offered for students in need of extra help.

Before school and after school tutoring is available for any student needing extra time and assistance.

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

Salt River Schools collaborates with Behavior Health Services to provide onsite and virtual services to students and their families. Social service facilitators are available to students and families to assist with needs.

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

This may include student health and food services.

Daily breakfast and lunch are provided to all students at no cost. School Health staff are available during school hours.

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

Salt River Schools staff meets quarterly for trauma informed professional development which includes self care tips. In addition Behavior Health staff are on campus to support staff. The Community's Employee Assistance Program and Wellness Program (with incentives) are available for staff at no cost, an employee benefit.

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

he school sites have self care activities for staff. All staff can receive a free lunch in the cafeteria. Trauma informed professional development continues for all staff throughout SY 2023-24.

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.*

The Salt River Schools website has a frequently updated page related to COVID-19 changes that is available to anyone. Comments and questions are encouraged. Families can contact their school Principal or the SRPMIC Epidemiologist. The Principals and Epidemiologist regularly work with the Acting Superintendent. Website is: https://saltriverschools.org/news/what_s_new/covid_19 This form can be found at: <https://ala.saltriverschools.org/about>

The Acting Superintendent keeps all informed of all COVID-19 protocols at Salt River Schools through communication in a variety of forms, such as emails, the website, School Messenger, public board meetings and Community meetings.

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