

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

LEA Information

1. LEA Name (one LEA per form)*

San Carlos Unified School District No 20

2. Entity ID Number*

4210

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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. *

08/30/2023

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.scbraves.net/

Halfway down the main page is a box with four tabs, Parents, Students, Community and Staff. The plan can be found on each of the tabs.

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.*

Governing Board Revised – October 11, 2022, Face coverings are optional on District property, in any District facility, at any District event, whether indoors or outdoors, and in any district vehicle, including District busses or vehicles rented or leased by the District. If an individual does not have a mask one will be provided to them.

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).*

Each school is unique in their required needs based on the age of the student. Each school has acrylic dividers at student tables. Students are social distanced by allowing three feet between student desks. Signage has been provided to remind students and staff of social distancing protocols. As of August 1, 2022 the District has returned to a regular schedule with all students on campus

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.*

Wearing masks (optional), handwashing, and social distancing are key tools to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Hand sanitizer is available upon entering the buildings/classrooms, busses, office areas, and sanitizer wall units have been installed throughout the campuses.

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 district has allocated ESSER I and II funds to purchase electrostatic spray cleaners for each school campus and one for each school bus driver. Custodians use sprayers in addition to their normal cleaning processes. Busses are sanitized between morning and afternoon

routes. Wednesdays are deep cleaning days district wide.

The District has installed GPS Bi-Polar Ionization system district wide in all HVAC units. An informational video and fliers have been emailed to all staff to post in their area.

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 San Carlos Wellness Department assists the district in notification and contact tracing if needed. The District also has an IGA in place with the San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation to provide on-site nurses to assist with daily operation and monitoring of students on site. The on-site nurses also serve as the liaison for the Department of Human and Health Services for contact tracing and quarantining measures.

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 District has staff trained to administer the Binax Now Rapid test. All unvaccinated staff and students are tested as needed (exposure, illness, etc). Records are maintained by the San Carlos apache Hospital nurses on site.

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 has partnered with the San Carlos Apache Hospital to offer vaccination clinics at schools, sporting events, and teacher conferences. In addition, we have offered bus rides for families that do not have transportation to be vaccinated. The District has worked with the CDC, via an onsite review, to develop a vaccination and reopening plan.

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.*

The District has policies and procedures in place to accommodate all students and other individuals with special needs. Policies and procedures are in place to ensure the safety needs for students and other individuals throughout the district and community.

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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.*

The District has ongoing communication with DHHS, via the on-site school nurses. The District has also worked with the CDC to develop a plan that includes local tribal resources to provide testing protocols and return to school protocols. As stated earlier, the district has also partnered with the San Carlos Apache Hospital to address COVID testing, protocols, and assist with contact tracing.

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.

San Carlos Unified School District will ensure continuity of services in the 2023-2024 school year by having all sites open for in-person learning. If COVID numbers reach a high level or if students are quarantined they will be able to attend online school. Laptops have been provided to all students. All services offered before COVID are still available to students/families regardless of in-person or online option.

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

The district will provide students additional educational opportunities after school, during intersessions, and summer school. Technology, research-based program/curriculum, best practice teaching strategies are used to offer additional support for remediation and enrichment learning opportunities for all students.

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

The District has onsite counselors at each school. In addition, there are Parent Educators at each school to provide parental outreach and support by linking needs to community resources. The High School provides a CARE Center where a counselor and aid are available to provide the student with supports they may need, including, showers, washers and dryers, cots for naps, clothing, food, and emotional well being planning. For the 2023-2024 school year the district has hired Cultural Success Coaches, one at each of the 4 school sites, to assist with outreach.

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

This may include student health and food services.

The District provides free meals – breakfast, lunch and supper to all students each day. The District has also worked with Kids Closet to provide clothing to students in need. Title and Homeless Grant Funds are also used to provide basic hygiene supplies to students.

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

The District medical insurance provider has access to counseling services if needed. Monthly fliers are sent to staff regarding the resources available to them through the insurance carrier. In addition, the district has a family counselor on staff that can assist staff if needed.

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

There is always a need to communicate plans in a clear and concise matter. With the ever changing COVID strains it is difficult to provide a consistent plan, with the ever changing COVID positive numbers in the community. The staff want consistency but we have to be able to change the direction at a moment's notice based on daily COVID positives.

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 district has provided online surveys to gather information about reopening. In addition, public Governing Board meetings have provided the community opportunities to share their thoughts. Staff have also notified parents on the local radio station KYAY of the survey and reopening plans.

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