

PLAN FOR SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN

REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF A LOCAL PLAN

1. **Policies for Mitigation Strategies:** Plan for incorporating eight different mitigation strategies included in current CDC guidance.
2. **Continuity of Services:** Plan to address academic and non-academic services for students and staff.
3. **Periodic Review:** Review at least every 6 months through September 30, 2023 and revise plan as appropriate.
4. **Public Input:** Seek public input and incorporate revisions as necessary.

DEADLINE: June 24, 2021

DIRECTIONS: Post the plan to the school or district website and then email that link (URL) to: continuityplan@education.ohio.gov

RESOURCES:

[ODE American Rescue Plan: Safe Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plans](#)

[CDC Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention](#)

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POLICIES FOR INCORPORATING MITIGATION STRATEGIES

Describe to what extent the following policies have been adopted to incorporate the following [CDC Mitigation Strategies](#) and provide a description of any policies being implemented:

- Universal and correct wearing of masks
- Physical distancing
- Handwashing and respiratory etiquette
- Cleaning and maintaining health facilities, including improving ventilation
- Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state and local health departments
- Diagnostic and screening testing
- Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and eligible students
- Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies

Based on updated guidance from the CDC and the Ohio Department of Health, masks will no longer be required in the building, beginning June 2, 2021. Social distancing is encouraged where possible, though the district plans to resume a traditional in-person, five day high school schedule in the fall of 2021. Signage indicating both of these policies are posted on all entry points to the building.

The school nurse provides training to all students and staff regarding COVID-19 control strategies, including handwashing, respiratory etiquette, and the importance of staying home when sick or displaying symptoms. Signage is displayed throughout the building to reinforce this training.

Lorain County JVS surfaces are frequently cleaned, particularly high-touch areas (stair handrails, door handles, counters, desks, tables, chairs, lavatories, computers, books, etc.). Restrooms are cleaned on a frequent basis.

Families and staff must notify school if they have been exposed to COVID-19 and are quarantined, or if a family member has been diagnosed with or presumed to have COVID-19 and/or is being isolated. Personnel and students with known exposure to someone with COVID-19 must follow the recommendations of Lorain County Public Health and their physician regarding self-quarantine. Notifications are sent to all staff, families, and close contacts when someone who is diagnosed with COVID-19 was recently in the building. Contract tracing is done in conjunction with Lorain County Public Health. All active cases and quarantined individuals are tracked on a public COVID-19 dashboard and reported to the state as required.

Two vaccination clinics for Lorain County JVS staff and surrounding school districts were held at Lorain County JVS in March and April of 2021. These clinics were heavily promoted to staff, and staff were strongly encouraged to attend and receive a COVID-19 vaccine. If staff members

wanted a vaccine, but were unable to attend those dates, they were encouraged to receive the vaccine at community vaccination clinics or local pharmacies.

Lorain County JVS is committed to equitable access for all students. Academic intervention periods are available to help all students, and any instructional technology or academic concerns can be addressed. In the past, face masks were not required for students with documented disabilities that left them unable to wear a mask. As of June 2, 2021, face masks are no longer required in the building.

PLAN TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC SERVICES

Describe how you will address continuity of services for students and staff, where needed, in the following areas:

1. Academic Services
2. Social-Emotional
3. Mental Health
4. Health
5. Food

Classes for the 2021-2022 school year will be five days per week and in-person, allowing Lorain County JVS to maximize hands-on learning opportunities. The district will use the Board approved grading scale. Lorain County JVS is a 1:1 district, and each student is issued an iPad, an email address, a Canvas account, and a PowerSchool account. Work based learning, internships, and job shadowing are considered alternate classrooms for student instruction. As such, these programs will continue throughout the school year. Off-site learning locations will be screened in order to ensure they are following best practices for the industry.

All students can access the Academic Support Center, either on their own or following a referral from a teacher or parent. The Academic Support Center provides a quiet working environment as well as subject specific tutoring and assistance with time management/study skills. Academic support time is built into the daily schedule so that each student has an adult dedicated to monitoring progress across the subject areas.

Student Services will continue to respond to students' emotional, social, and academic concerns; keep student connected with their associate schools; work with students as they plan for their futures; mediate conflicts; and connect students with wrap-around services to support their needs and the needs of their families. All JVS students are assigned a school counselor. Additionally, students identified as vulnerable due to homelessness, foster care, or involvement in the justice system will be assigned to a social worker for additional support.

Procedures are in place for students to make appointments for non-emergency counseling sessions. Counseling and mediation sessions may occur in person or digitally using a video platform.

Incoming freshmen are paired with upperclassmen as part of our mentoring program.

A school nurse is available during school hours to assist students with health emergencies or acute illness.

Students are provided breakfast and lunch at no charge during school days. For students experiencing food insecurity at home, take home bags of food are provided at no charge.

PERIODIC REVIEW

1. Describe how you will conduct a review of your plan at least every 6 months.
2. Describe how you will revise the plan as appropriate.

Every six months, Lorain County JVS leadership will review the plan as a group and discuss feedback provided by parents, students, and staff. If it's determined that changes need to be made, the plan will be updated and reposted to the website. Families and staff will be notified of any changes.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Describe how you will seek public input.
2. Describe how you will take public input into account when making revisions.
3. *Review Period:* What revisions were made and why?

Lorain County JVS will seek input from families, students, staff, and stakeholders. This input will be gathered through formal and informal methods, such as surveys and anecdotal conversations. During leadership's six month review, this input will be discussed and a determination on it will be made at that time.