

## Health and Safety Plan Summary: Penn-Trafford School District

Anticipated Launch Date: **July 1, 2020**

Use these summary tables to provide your local education community with a detailed overview of your Health and Safety Plan. LEAs are required to post this summary on their website. To complete the summary, copy and paste the domain summaries from the Health and Safety Plan tables above.

### Facilities Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting and Ventilation

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<p><b>* Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, hallways, and transportation)</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All Staff will be trained on proper cleaning, disinfection and sanitization practices.</li> <li>2. Hand Sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol will be located throughout each school building.</li> <li>3. Students/Staff will be required to wash/sanitize hands between every class change.</li> <li>4. Student desks will be wiped with disinfectant after every use/class change.</li> <li>5. Lunch tables will be sanitized after every lunch period.</li> <li>6. All restrooms and high-touch surfaces will be disinfected regularly, door handles, light switches, stairwell handrails etc...</li> <li>7. School buses will be sanitized after each bus run.</li> <li>8. Drinking fountains will be closed. Students may bring their own water bottles.</li> <li>9. Signs will be posted in halls, classrooms and high visibility areas on how to stop the spread of COVID-19, such as properly washing hands, and promoting everyday protective measures.</li> </ol>

### Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<p><b>* Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Six-foot distancing is the goal to the maximum extent possible. However, a lesser distance is acceptable if six feet is not achievable to meet the needs of students. Pursuant to the recommendation of the World Health Organization, every effort will be made to maintain the minimum spacing of three feet. Three-foot distance is associated with</li> </ol>
<p><b>* Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings,</b></p>	

<p><b>and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>* Hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices</b></li> <li><b>* Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs</b></li> <li><b>* Handling sporting activities consistent with the <a href="#">CDC Considerations for Youth Sports</a> for recess and physical education classes</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Limiting the sharing of materials among students</b></p> <p><b>Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways</b></p> <p><b>Adjusting transportation schedules and practices to create social distance between students</b></p> <p><b>Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of students</b></p> <p><b>Coordinating with local childcare regarding on site care, transportation protocol changes and, when possible, revised hours of operation or modified school-year calendars</b></p> <p><b>Other social distancing and safety practices</b></p>	<p><i>substantial reductions in infection via droplet spread of coughs and sneezes. Classroom configurations will be altered for maximal social distancing as feasible. For example, staggered rows of desks all facing the same direction, with limitations on face-to-face seating.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>2. Some hallways and stairwells will be visually marked with one-way signage to reduce student contact.</i></li> <li><i>3. Contact sports and activities will not be permitted during physical education classes and recess.</i></li> <li><i>4. The sharing of materials and equipment will be minimized among students and staff. Any materials that are shared must be wiped down after each use.</i></li> <li><i>5. All school wide assemblies and gatherings will be postponed until further notice.</i></li> <li><i>6. All athletic events and extracurricular activities will be limited to 250 individuals and are subject to change per PDE guidelines.</i></li> <li><i>7. In the cafeteria all food will be served by staff. Students will not be permitted to serve themselves - no buffet style options. In cafeterias, when feasible, individuals will be seated in staggered arrangements to avoid "across-the-table" seating. Some schools may use additional rooms or gymnasiums during lunch to distance students as much as possible. Each school will consider using assigned seating for students in cafeterias and other congregate settings to help assist with contact tracing.</i></li> <li><i>8. Classroom teachers will be encouraged to utilize outdoor locations for instruction. Courtyards and outdoor spaces will also be used for lunch (weather permitting).</i></li> <li><i>9. All individuals will sanitize or wash their hands as they enter each classroom. Hand sanitizer will be made available in all common areas, hallways, and/or in classrooms where sinks for handwashing are not available.</i></li> </ol>
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	<p>10. Additional buses will not be added for the 2020-2021 school year. Busing will be provided to all students. Students will be spaced apart as much as possible. Parents will be encouraged to transport students to and from school. High school students with a valid drivers licence will be permitted to drive to school with a valid parking permit. The Warrior Center Lot will be open for student parking.</p> <p>11. Non-essential visitors and volunteers will not be permitted in the schools.</p> <p>12. Staff will be trained prior to the start of school on health and safety protocols and procedures related to COVID 19.</p>
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**Monitoring Student and Staff Health**

<b>Requirement(s)</b>	<b>Strategies, Policies and Procedures</b>
<p><b>* Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure</b></p> <p><b>* Isolating or quarantining students, staff, or visitors if they become sick or demonstrate a history of exposure</b></p> <p><b>* Returning isolated or quarantined staff, students, or visitors to school</b></p> <p><b>Notifying staff, families, and the public of school closures and within-school- year changes in safety protocols</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parents/guardians and staff members will be educated on a symptom assessment tool to evaluate their child or self at home each day prior to coming to school. No children with symptoms will be sent on a bus or brought to school. All staff will perform a symptom screen on themselves before leaving for work and will stay home if ill.</li> <li>2. Parents/guardians/staff will report possible COVID-19 symptoms and/or exposure to School Nurse after using the self assessment tool.</li> <li>3. Temperature screening will not be required upon entrance to the school for students or staff.</li> <li>4. Staff or students confirmed to have COVID-19 must be cleared by their Primary Care Physician or Health Department with written documentation before they are permitted to return to school.</li> <li>5. All stakeholders will be trained on protocols for monitoring student and staff health.</li> </ol>

**Other Considerations for Students and Staff**

Requirement(s)	Strategies, Policies and Procedures
<p><b>* Protecting students and staff at higher risk for severe illness</b></p> <p><b>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff</b></p> <p><b>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older students (as appropriate)</b></p> <p><b>Unique safety protocols for students with complex needs or other vulnerable individuals</b></p> <p><b>Strategic deployment of staff</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>While students are in their classroom for instruction, masks will be optional. Masks will be required of students and staff only when it is not feasible to maintain a safe social distance of 3 feet (e.g. halls, busses, group work) as recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO). Hands should be sanitized after handling masks. Students and staff will be required to have masks with them at all times in the event that their use is needed or if an individual becomes symptomatic. Extended usage of masks often leads to discomfort, distraction, or mishandling/misuse, triggering a child to touch their face more frequently and causing contamination and/or rendering the mask ineffective. Masks also make it difficult to speak or ask questions in a classroom setting. Removing symptomatic children from the schools, coupled with Westmoreland County maintaining a low level community prevalence of COVID-19, will decrease the overall risk of infection in a given classroom.</i></li> <li>2. <i>The district will determine additional considerations and supports needed for students and staff with disabilities and complex medical needs to ensure the safety of these students and the individuals providing services to these students.</i></li> <li>3. <i>Flexible attendance policies will be adopted for students and staff.</i></li> <li>4. <i>The district will limit or cancel all non-essential travel as necessary.</i></li> <li>5. <i>Students, parents, and staff need to be mindful and respectful of the health and safety of all individuals. Adhering to the guidelines within this plan will help to minimize risk of exposure to COVID-19.</i></li> </ol>

## Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **PENN-TRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT** reviewed and approved the Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan on **JUNE 29, 2020**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

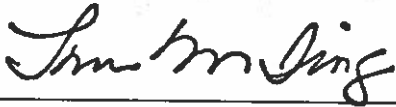
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  1   Absent

Affirmed on: **JUNE 29, 2020**

By: Mrs. Toni Ising



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(Board President)