Health and Safety Plan Summary: Quakertown Community School District

QCSD has opted to share the entire plan with our community and stakeholders.

Anticipated Launch Date: August 31, 2020 or September 14, 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

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* Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, hallways, and transportation)

Strategies, Policies and Procedures

QCSD has revised cleaning protocols and requirements to increase the cleaning and sanitizing of classrooms and buildings, utilizing additional cleaning staff as needed. QCSD has procured hand sanitizer and dispensing equipment sufficient to start the school year and will maintain adequate supplies subject to supply chain constraints. Summer cleaning of all school buildings will include increased attention to sanitizing, and building access will continue to be restricted during the summer months to ensure buildings are ready to welcome staff and students.

See QCSD Health and Safety Plan pages 9-12 for details.

Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

Requirement(s)

Strategies, Policies and Procedures

- * Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible
- * Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms
- * Hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices
- * Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs
- * Handling sporting activities consistent with the <u>CDC</u>
 <u>Considerations for Youth Sports</u> for recess and physical education classes

Limiting the sharing of materials among students

Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways

Adjusting transportation schedules and practices to create social distance between students

Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of students

QCSD will offer both live and virtual instruction to reduce the number of students in school at the same time. If more than 60% of students in a building or grade level choose live instruction for 2020-21, QCSD will stagger attendance, utilize other school locations, or similar strategies to maintain social distancing. Social distancing requirements will be different at the elementary and secondary levels to reflect the reality that older students are better able to understand and comply with social distancing requirements. Use of communal spaces will be minimized/eliminated, and traffic patterns will be established in each building to maintain social distancing. When weather permits, classes will utilize outdoor spaces. No visitors or volunteers will be permitted in buildings. Meetings will be held remotely. District office staff will primarily interact remotely with buildings, limiting in-person visits to essential situations. Students will be instructed in hygiene routines and requirements. Transportation will only be provided if the number of students choosing district transportation allows social distancing on buses with the existing fleet.

See QCSD Health and Safety Plan pages 13-27

Coordinating with local childcare regarding on site care, transportation protocol changes and, when possible, revised hours of operation or modified school-year calendars

Other social distancing and safety practices

Monitoring Student and Staff Health

Requirement(s)

- * Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure
- * Isolating or quarantining students, staff, or visitors if they become sick or demonstrate a history of exposure
- * Returning isolated or quarantined staff, students, or visitors to school

Notifying staff, families, and the public of school closures and within-school- year changes in safety protocols

Other Considerations for Students and Staff

Strategies, Policies and Procedures

QCSD will follow defined protocols to monitor staff and students for signs of illness. Students will be monitored at home prior to coming to school. Staff members will self-report monitoring results each day prior to reporting to work. Detailed requirements for monitoring and for exclusion from and return to work are linked here: Exclusion From and Return To School.

See QCSD Health and Safety Plan pages 28-36 for details

Requirement(s)

- * Protecting students and staff at higher risk for severe illness
- * Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff
- * Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older students (as appropriate)

Unique safety protocols for students with complex needs or other vulnerable individuals

Strategies, Policies and Procedures

QCSD will require masks for students and staff at all times where 6 foot social distancing cannot be maintained. This includes in classrooms, on school buses and during arrival, dismissal, and similar gatherings of students. All students have the option to select virtual instruction or live instruction.

See QCSD Health and Safety Plan pages 37-42

Strategic deployment of staff	

Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Quakertown Community School District** reviewed and approved the Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan on **July 9, 2020**

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Yes	
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Signature* of Board President)	
/rs. Kaylyn Mitchell, Board President	
Print Name of Board President)	

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