

NYSDOH Supplemental School Reopening Plan

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Gateway-Longview, Lynde School

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Remote Learning

In Person Instruction. The preference is for all of our students who are Special Education students in 6:1:1 to attend in person classes. Transportation providers and their ability to transport safely and parents' wishes may affect this plan. Partial closures will be considered where feasible depending on the location needing a temporary closure. If due to COVID -19 cases some areas of the school are temporarily unavailable and in person instruction is not feasible we will provide remote and or hybrid instruction to all students. We will ensure that all mandated IEP services are offered to each student either virtually or through make up sessions based on the length of the closure. It is our intention to coordinate services and academics by having faculty present on campus delivering services in person, remotely or using a hybrid model if required by circumstances. In that case the faculty will be kept socially distant in separate classrooms and offices while providing the services to the students.

If parents choose to opt-out of in-person instruction or individual students remain home due to illness, a blended format will be offered. In-person instruction will take place for students in attendance with the lesson being streamed via Google Classroom to those students remaining home.

All students will have access to a device needed to stream lessons and materials. However, in the event of internet services not available to students, work will be sent home with phone support being added at a designated time for families.

If School Closure is necessary, teachers are prepared to seamlessly transition to on-line instruction the day following the in-person or blended plan. All classes and students will be enrolled into virtual classrooms that follow their normal in-person school day. Teachers and students will be required to log in to each classes at the appropriate time for instruction. Materials, coursework, and homework will be available through the online platform.

All instruction and coursework will continue to be aligned with NYS Learning Standards including Next Generation Standards.

All students and staff requiring devices will have access to one. This gives all school stakeholders an opportunity to participate whether in-person or remote during an ever-changing school year.

While some may be in-person during the day, those unable will continue to have access to the same content and skill development. They will also have the ability to continue interactions with staff and peers.

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Families without the necessary internet capabilities will be in contact with teachers and counselors on a weekly basis. Materials being sent home to these students would still meet the same learning-standard criteria as their in-person counterparts. Teachers are instructed to provide enough materials and support to students not online or in-person that meets their needs and the 180 minute class standard.

Testing

Health Screening and Temperature Checks

All students, faculty, employees, visitors and vendors will be required to have a body temperature screening at a designated location before entry to the school. If their body temperature is at or above 100 degrees Fahrenheit, they be sent home immediately or sent to the nurses' office to wait to be picked up and given instructions to follow up with their health care provider for assessment and testing, employees will also need to follow up with Human Resources. We will use the Director of Health Services to coordinate with the local health officials are response to any exposures and consult with them regarding staying open or reopening.

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Positive Screen Protocols.

If a student tests positive for COVID-19 the Director of Health Services or their designee will notify the DOH and will cooperate with them and state contact tracing, isolation and quarantine efforts. If an employee tests positive the Vice President of Corporate Integrity will report any positive Covid-19 test results to the local Department of Health. The Vice President of Human Resources will work with department staff to identify all employees this person may have had close contact with while working and provide specific notification to those individuals while maintaining the confidentiality of all staff.

Contact Tracing and Tracking Metrics.

The local Health Department will be notified of all Positive Cases and we will engage with regular consultation regarding the status of school buildings being safe for staff and students. We will be prepared to transition to virtual and distance learning if a temporary closure is determined to be necessary.

Notification.

The local DOH will be notified by the Vice President of Human Resources of any positive cases involving staff. The Director of Health Services will notify the DOH of any cases involving students.

Tracing Support.

By using class schedules and attendance data the school will assist in contact tracing all possible contacts with an infected person while maintain confidentiality required under HIPPA and FERPA. No notice of who tested positive will be shared in order to assure confidentiality.

Quarantine, Isolation and Return to School

All senior school and agency leadership will be aware of an exposure incident. All staff and students parents and guardians who had close proximate contact will be informed of the possible exposure.

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