

American Rescue Plan: Safe Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plans

Each district and community school should post on its local website a plan that includes, or will be modified to include, the extent to which it has adopted policies and a description of any such policies on each of the following mitigation strategies:

1. Universal and correct wearing of masks: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Hancock County Public Health guidelines.**
2. Physical distancing: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Hancock County Public Health guidelines.**
3. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will continue current handwashing and respiratory etiquette guidelines.**
4. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will continue current cleaning guidelines.**
5. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state, local, territorial or tribal health departments: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Hancock County Public Health guidelines.**
6. Diagnostic and screening testing: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Hancock County Public Health guidelines.**
7. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and students, if eligible: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will collaborate with Hancock County Public Health to provide vaccination opportunities for employees and students.**
8. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies: **Liberty-Benton Local Schools will follow the Ohio Department of Health and Hancock County Public Health guidelines as well as local board policies.**

Each district and community school should post on its local website a plan that describes how it will ensure continuity of services including but not limited to:

1. Services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health and other needs, which may include student health and food services: **The Liberty-Benton Local Schools Administrative Team will review student data and identify students' academic needs and SEL needs. They will provide input into how to best support the identified needs through additional programming possibly before, during, and after school.**
2. The LEA periodically reviews, no less frequently than every six months for the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period and revises its plan as appropriate: **The Liberty-Benton Local Schools Administrative Team will meet quarterly to review students' academic, emotional, mental health, social, and other needs and will revise our plan if needed to meet identified needs.**
3. The LEA seeks public input and takes such input into account on (1) whether revisions are necessary and, if so, (2) the revisions to the plan: **The Liberty-Benton Local Administrative Team will request public input on whether or not revisions are needed and will revise our plan if needed to meet identified needs.**

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