Southern Lehigh School District Path to Reopening for K-12 Schools: Health and Safety Plan

Health and Safety Plan Summary

Social Distancing	SLSD will ensure social distancing of at least 5 ft. in all elementary instructional spaces and at least 6 ft in all secondary instructional spaces. Staff will continue to have at least 6 ft in all instructional spaces. The district will maximize the amount of space between students and reduce the amount of time that they are in close contact with each other in non-instructional spaces using PDE and PA DOH recommendations.	Hygiene Practices	SLSD expects all students and staff to adhere to personal hygiene practices set forth by the CDC and PA DOH including handwashing, sanitizing, and appropriate respiratory etiquette. The district will provide training and reminders to staff and students on these practices.
Daily Wellness Screener	Prior to leaving home, SLSD students and staff are required to complete a daily COVID-19 Screener that includes a temperature check. Any staff or students experiencing COVID-19 symptoms must follow the guidance present on the screener and should NOT report to school/work.	School Visitors	A moratorium will be placed on all non-essential visitors and volunteers for the duration of the pandemic. Essential visitors will be required to wear a face covering at all times and complete a daily COVID-19 Screener prior to entry. When possible, traditional school meetings will be completed virtually.
Face Coverings	Per the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Universal Face Covering Order (November 17, 2020), all Southern Lehigh School District students are required to wear a mask or face covering AT ALL TIMES while at school, even when six feet of social distance can be achieved unless a student with disabilities whose IEP or 504 teams have granted an exception.	Transportation	Students riding SLSD transportation must wear a mask or face coverings AT ALL TIMES in accordance with the <u>PA DOH's Universal Masking Order</u> . SLSD will decrease the number of students on the bus to two students per seat, load the bus from the back to front, and disinfect high-touch surfaces. Parent drop-off/pick-up at school is encouraged.
Cleaning & Disinfecting	All SLSD cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting will be performed in accordance with current CDC and PA DOH guidelines using EPA approved products for use against SARS-CoV-2 to mitigate the spread of communicable diseases. All staff using cleaning, sanitizing, or disinfecting products will receive appropriate training on use.	School Meals	SLSD will implement alternate meal serving methods and utilize additional spaces in school buildings to promote social distancing during school lunch periods. Students will be seated in cafeteria spaces facing the same direction while following established social distancing recommendations of 6 ft.
Symptoms At School	Students or staff showing signs of illness will be separated and sent home immediately. If a case of COVID-19 is confirmed, SLSD staff will consult PA DOH guidance specific to contact tracing, COVID-19 testing, quarantine requirements, community communications, and possible school closures.	Teaching & Learning	Utilize the parent/guardian feedback data from the Required SLSD Return to School Decision Form to ensure academic consistency and quality instructional outcomes, while providing several options for all students. Parents may choose: • Hybrid Learning Model • SLSD Remote Leaning Model

^{**} Please note, all of the content held within these pages is subject to change. The content in the Southern Lehigh School District Health and Safety Plan represents the requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) for the physical return to school. This document does not encompass all of the incremental planning necessary to physically reopen the schools and that planning is ongoing and additional details will be shared throughout the summer. **