



NEW LONDON LOCAL SCHOOLS

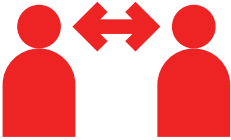
**SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON
INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY
OF SERVICES PLAN**

GENERAL PROVISIONS



Universal and correct wearing of masks:

1. New London Local Schools will follow all protocols and guidelines as set forth by the Ohio Department of Health, CDC, and Huron County Public Health. Under current guidance, the practice of wearing a facial covering is recommended. The district will continue to provide masks for students and staff who request to wear them.



Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding):

1. The district will strive to maintain a minimum of 3 feet of social distancing when applicable. This distancing will increase to 6 feet for music and band programming.



Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:

1. The district will continue to plan for handwashing/sanitizing breaks throughout the day.
2. The district will incorporate signage, posters and other methods to reinforce the important practice of frequent handwashing and sanitizing.



Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation:

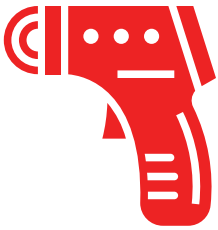
1. The district will continue with its efforts to increase the cleaning and disinfection of high-touch surfaces.
2. The district will continue to use high-end filters in our air filtration system to provide cleaner air quality.



Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state, local, territorial or tribal health departments:

1. The district will continue to collaborate with Huron County Public Health in the area of contract tracing. The district will communicate with confirmed COVID-19 cases/guardians, school leaders and any close contacts identified. Results will be reported to the local health department.
2. Close contacts of a COVID-19 case are typically persons who spent more than 15 minutes in close proximity (within 6 feet) of the positive case without any PPE and/or more than one protective barrier in place. Close contacts will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
3. Those that test positive for COVID-19 or are deemed a close contact may be required to quarantine.

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Diagnostic and screening testing:

1. Families should perform a daily wellness check for temperature (100°F and up must stay at home) and symptoms.
2. Students are required to remain at home with any illness and/or symptoms.
3. Students should self-monitor for symptoms throughout the school day.
4. Students should immediately inform an adult when experiencing symptoms.
5. The district will continue to use the at-home rapid tests as provided by the local health department and state health department to screen potential contacts prior to allowing them to return to school once they are within their CDC recommended quarantine period.



Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and students, if eligible:

1. The district will coordinate with the local health department to offer on-site vaccination clinics prior to the start of the new school year. Additional clinics will be offered at the recommendation of the local health department.



Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies:

1. All reasonable efforts will be made to meet the social-emotional, physical and educational needs of all students.
2. The district will remain compliant in servicing students with disabilities based on their individual plans (504, IEP).
3. Any student requiring modifications to the guidelines, as outlined within this plan, should provide documentation of the request, in writing, to building administration for consideration.
4. Targeted interventions will be held with families and educators to address unique situations as requested.

CONTINUITY OF SERVICES

To ensure continuity of services for our students, the district will continue to:

- Utilize two-way communication to ensure open dialogue with district stakeholders
- Enhance connectivity by providing technology and updates as necessary, including end user devices.
- Continue to assist students and families with easy access to a social worker/family success coach
- Offer free breakfast and lunch for all students, including distribution for students who are enrolled in remote learning, to ensure students have access to proper meals.
- Address learning gaps through extended school year and summer programming

These efforts will support our student's mental health needs, social-emotional needs and academic needs.

Periodic Review of the Plan:

The district will review the plan quarterly through September 2023 and revise as necessary based on feedback from district stakeholders and guidance from public health officials and the scientific community.

Public Input on Revisions:

During the periodic review of the plan, the district will seek public input using online forms and surveys. The information gathered from these documents will be used in determining the need for any revisions.