



Alliance for Progress Charter School

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Health and Safety Plan Summary: Alliance for Progress Charter School.

Date of Last Revision: 12/29/2022

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Board Approved:

1. How will the LEA, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning?

Students will enter through different entrances to avoid crowding and promote social distancing. Staff and students will continue to wear masks when needed. Bathroom breaks will be staggered to avoid crowding and promote social distancing.

Transportation is provided by the School District of Philadelphia and AFPCS will follow the SDP guidelines.

PPE Stations have been placed throughout our buildings and in our common areas. PPE stations contain extra masks, hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes.

The AFPCS cleaning staff has a daily schedule of cleaning and sanitizing the school buildings.

Each day the buildings are thoroughly sanitized. Ultraviolet air filtration systems have been installed in both of our buildings.

Staff and Students will be tested for Covid prior to beginning school. Students and staff must submit Covid-19 results following each holiday/extended break/3-day weekend until further notice

2. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services?

Students will continue to be educated by qualified educators. The school had a summer enrichment program to assist with any learning loss related to the pandemic and to assist with a smooth transition in returning to the classroom for the upcoming school year.

AFPCS is currently in the process of hiring additional support staff for additional social, emotional, and mental health student support. AFPCS will also hire additional interventionists for small group instruction targeting learning loss.



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AFPCS has put in place a focus on “Trauma Informed Education” that consist of ongoing Professional Development to address social emotional needs of both students and staff. We also plan to continue to offer our after school tutoring program for all students in the coming school year.

- Use the table below to explain how the LEA will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC:

ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
<p>a. Universal and correct wearing of <u>masks</u>;</p>	<p>Wearing a mask at AFPCS will be highly recommended, but not required, for both students and staff. Students and staff must wear masks covering the nose and mouth.</p> <p>Here are exceptions to this update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Staff and students will be required to wear masks for 5 days following each holiday/extended break, unless otherwise mandated by the CDC and local health organizations. -If/when Covid conditions increase in Philadelphia and/or the Philadelphia Department of Health/CDC reinstates a mask mandate, AFPCS will also require students and staff to wear masks -If school-wide or classroom Covid-19 outbreak occur, students and staff will be required to wear masks <p>Visitor access will be limited, and visitors will be required to wear masks and provide negative covid results. ESSER funds will be utilized to purchase PPE.</p>



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<p>b. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);</p>	<p>Students and staff will be provided masks, encouraged to bring masks and also provided face shields.</p> <p>Frequent handwashing and use of hand sanitizer will be encouraged throughout the school day.</p> <p>Frequently touched surfaces and student desks will be cleaned throughout the day as scheduled with our cleaning staff.</p> <p>Thorough disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces and desks will occur nightly and halfday Fridays.</p> <p>Students traveling to school by school bus and by SEPTA will follow the guidelines implemented by SDP Transportation and SEPTA.</p> <p>Visitors and partners are welcomed to work within our school buildings provided they follow our health and safety requirements.</p> <p>All parents, staff, and students will be trained on the school's Health and Safety Plan and protocols.</p>
<p>c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette;</p>	<p>All individuals sanitize/wash hands before and after eating, upon arrival and after restroom use.</p> <p>Hand sanitizer will be applied upon entry and dismissal from classrooms and after using any classroom materials.</p> <p>Bathroom use will have limited occupancy when in use.</p> <p>As outlined in current CDE guidelines, respiratory etiquette including the use of tissues for coughing and sneezing, proper disposal of tissues, and when necessary, coughing or sneezing into clothing or the inner elbow area will be encouraged for all staff and students.</p>



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<p>d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;</p>	<p>AFPCS will clean/disinfect all frequently touched surfaces daily and as requested during the day (door handles, light switches, etc.) following all regulatory guidelines.</p> <p>Clean desks daily following regulatory guidelines. Classrooms will have cleaning supplies available for use during the day and following individual student occupancy (minimize face to face interaction and multiple student touches on products).</p> <p>All individuals will sanitize/wash hands on a frequent basis (upon arrival, prior to eating, after eating, after sneezing and restroom use). Hand sanitizer machines and bottles will be available in every room and common areas. Hand washing stations will be located in common areas.</p> <p>Ultraviolet air filtration systems have been installed in both of our buildings.</p>
<p>e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</p>	<p>As required by the School District of Philadelphia, AFPCS reports any active Covid case each day to PDE. PDE then assists with the contract tracing process.</p> <p>Additionally, AFPCS will use the nurses' offices as isolation rooms when necessary for any cases discovered during the school day.</p> <p>Students and staff with exposure to other students/staff who have been exposed to Covid-19, regardless of vaccination status, will no longer have to participate in an at home quarantine unless Covid-like symptoms are present. Students and staff can return to school with the requirement that they wear a mask for 5 days</p> <p>Covid-19 positive students and staff are required to participate in an at-home isolation for at least 5 calendar days while participating in virtual learning, if needed. The school nurse must be notified by parents regarding any positive results. Students/staff may return to school after being symptom-free following the 5-day</p>



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	<p>isolation. When returning to school, students/staff must wear a high-quality mask such as N95 or KN95, for 5 additional days following the isolation. Additionally, upon returning, they must eat in a designated area following their isolation for 5 days</p> <p>Contact tracing, isolation and quarantine is in handled in compliance with State and local health regulations.</p>
<p>f. Diagnostic and screening testing;</p>	<p>AFPCS will require all staff and students to be tested for Covid prior to the beginning of school. Students and staff must submit Covid-19 results following each holiday/extended break/3-day weekend until further notice</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities;</p>	<p>AFPCS provides “testing” onsite but currently does not have a plan to provide vaccinations on site.</p>
<p>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and</p>	<p>AFPCS Student Support Team will provide professional development regarding safety accommodations for students with special needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide staff working with those individuals the necessary PPE • Provide staff with guidelines and strategies to maximize safety for themselves and others with whom the student comes in contact <p>IEPs and 504 plans will be reviewed and collaborated on as issues arise. Unique safety procedures will be addressed by the school nurse, and the IEP/504 team on a case-by-case basis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Students will be provided with the amount of support needed to benefit from all presented learning opportunities as needed based on the format of presentation. •Additional intervention time and screening of skills will be utilized to address learning gaps. •Special Education staff will conduct IEP



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	<p>meetings and be in extensive contact with families as needed to ensure robust delivery of services to the greatest extent possible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Student Services staff will be in communication with all families to ensure they are aware of resources for social- emotional wellness, additional counseling and social work services will be offered and specific programming provided to students •Student support staff will coordinate supports for students who have been identified or who self-identify as needing social and emotional support, including, but not limited to, counseling and social work services. •Student Services staff will outline the counseling and SST referral process so that staff, parents, and students can easily refer students for assistance across academic, behavioral and mental health needs. •All staff will receive training on Trauma informed practices.
<p>i. Coordination with state and local health officials.</p>	<p>AFPCS administrative staff, as well as our Board of Trustees, regularly monitors guidance from state and local officials. Currently we provide daily reports to the School District of Philadelphia regarding any active cases of Covid discovered in our school.</p>



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Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Alliance for Progress Charter School** reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on **December 29, 2022**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

_____ **Yes**

_____ **No**

Affirmed on: **December 29, 2022**

By:

(Signature of Board President)*

Larry Griffin

(Print Name of Board President)

*Electronic signatures on this document are acceptable using one of the two methods detailed below.

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