



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

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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?

Plexiglass Desk Dividers and partitions have been installed. Students will enter through different entrances to avoid crowding and promote social distancing.

Staff and students will continue to wear masks. 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 in hallways and other areas for ease of access. 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 Wednesday the buildings are thoroughly sanitized with electrostatic spraying equipment.

Ultraviolet air filtration systems have been installed in both of our buildings.

Staff and Students will be tested for Covid prior to beginning school and monthly.

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 the qualified educators.

The school had a summer enrichment program to assist with any learning loss as a result of 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.

Our social worker has currently conducts home visit to assess, monitor and assist students and their families with any additional resources needed.  
 AFPCS will also hire additional interventionists for small group instruction targeting learning loss.

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.

3. 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
a. Universal and correct wearing of <u>masks</u> ;	Students and staff will be provided with masks, required to bring masks and the school will provide face shields. Visitors access will be limited and they will be required to wear masks. ESSER funds will be utilized to purchase PPE.
b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	As scheduled, students will be provided small group instruction that will provide both social distancing and more targeted instruction. Small groups will follow a daily instructional schedule. Students and staff will be provided masks, encouraged to bring masks and also provided face shields. Classrooms will be organized with students at least three feet apart with plexiglass shields on each desk/table. Students will not be seated in a face-to-face manner; desk will be oriented to face the front of the classroom. Excess furniture will be removed to maximize space in the classroom and any common areas. The number of teachers and allowable number of students in the physical space of a classroom will determine distancing guidelines. All communal spaces will have a one-way flow of traffic (hallways), hand sanitizer and hand washing stations available, and allow for the

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	<p>appropriate social distancing requirements as well as the number of people permitted to gather. “Stay Safe” distancing signs will be placed 6 feet apart on the floor in every hallway. Frequent handwashing and use of hand sanitizer will be encouraged throughout the school day. Frequently touched surfaces and student desks will be cleaned throughout the day as schedule with our cleaning staff. Thorough disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces and desks will occur nightly and half day Fridays. Students traveling to school by school bus and by SEPTA will follow the guidelines implemented by SDP Transportation and SEPTA. Visitors, volunteers, and school partners will be excluded from working within the school building except when necessary, for instance, contracted providers of special services for students. All parents, staff, and students will be trained on the school’s Health and Safety plan and protocols.</p>
<p>c. <a href="#">Handwashing and respiratory etiquette</a>;</p>	<p>All individuals sanitize/wash hands before and after eating, upon arrival and after restroom use. Teacher work rooms will have limited occupancy for retrieving and heating meals along with sanitation of devices after use. Hand sanitizer to be applied upon entry and dismissal from classrooms and after using any classroom materials. Bathroom use will have limited occupancy when in use. 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>
<p>d. <a href="#">Cleaning</a> and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving <a href="#">ventilation</a>;</p>	<p>AFPCS will clean/disinfect all frequently touched surfaces 4 times daily (twice in the morning and afternoon) and as requested during the day (door handles, light switches, etc.) following all regulatory guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No water fountain usage. Each hallway will have designated places for water bottle refilling and students and staff are required to bring their own water bottles</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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).</li> <li>• 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 each hallway and common areas</li> <li>• Ultraviolet air filtration systems have been installed in both of our buildings.</li> </ul>
<p>e. <a href="#">Contact tracing</a> in combination with <a href="#">isolation</a> and <a href="#">quarantine</a>, 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. Additionally, AFPCS has isolation rooms available in both building for any cases discovered during the school day. Active cases of students or staff are then required to quarantine at home for up to 14 days.</p>
<p>f. <a href="#">Diagnostic</a> and screening testing;</p>	<p>AFPCS will require all staff and students to be tested for Covid prior to the beginning of school. Regular screening will occur monthly.</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide <a href="#">vaccinations to school communities</a>;</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>For students unable to understand or comply with social distancing requirements or those with more significant personal care needs.</p> <p>AFPCS Climate Team will provide professional development regarding safety accommodations for students with special needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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</li> </ul> <p><b>IEPs and 504 plans will be reviewed</b></p>

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	<p><b>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</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Special Education staff will conduct IEP meetings and be in extensive contact with families as needed to ensure robust delivery of services to the greatest extent possible</li> <li>• 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• All staff will receive training on Trauma informed practices</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<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>

## 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 **August 17, 2021**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:

  8   Yes

  1   No

Affirmed on: **(INSERT DATE: MONTH, DAY, YEAR)**

By:

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*(Signature\* of Board President)*

Larry Griffin

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*(Print Name of Board President)*

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