

USD 101 Fall 2023 Continuity of Services Plan

District Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services

USD 101 is committed to keeping students in school and in-person during the current school year with the least disruption as possible and priorities around the health and safety of our students, staff, and community. The following continuity of services plan will utilize COVID-19 testing (PreK-12) in addition to physical distancing, regular cleaning/disinfection, ventilation, handwashing, respiratory etiquette, and staying home when sick. This plan is also subject to change based upon the impact of the virus in the school buildings, district, and across the county or as a result of any updates from CDC, KDHE, or other Federal/State agencies. The following is in addition to the current COVID-19/Illness plan and can replace verbiage as outlined.

General requirements:

- All students and staff have the option to wear a mask while in the school building.
- It is recommended that students visit with their parents and doctors to determine the need for receiving the Covid vaccine.
- Individuals that are feeling sick, have a fever, or exhibit symptoms of the virus are to stay home or complete the testing protocol.

Isolation and Quarantine Requirements for a positive case:

- Per USD101 Policy, the quarantine period is for a minimum of 5 days. The day of the positive test is considered day zero. Students/staff can return to school if there are no symptoms remaining on day 6.
- Must be fever free for 24 hours prior to returning to school.
- Individuals will not be allowed to attend school or any school function for the duration of the mandatory 5 day quarantine.
- Day 6 return to School/Work:
 - Days 6-10, all individuals will be required to wear a mask, must social distance when possible, and must eat in an area separate from other individuals or have 1 negative COVID-19 test administered by a school employee or healthcare provider.

- Upon return to school/work, individuals can choose to test on a daily basis upon entering the building and must wear a mask until the test results are determined for that day. Testing will be conducted using the rapid antigen or PCR tests. Individuals can test at a doctor's office if the results are provided to the district.
- Individuals that show a negative test result administered by a school official do not have to wear a mask and can participate in all activities.
- Individuals that have been positive for COVID-19, and have returned for days 6-10 must have 1 negative COVID-19 test administered by a school employee before attending a practice, participating in a sporting event, or activities that there is no school for the day.
- Students must have parental permission to participate in the testing protocols and parents will be contacted prior to a student being tested to ensure open communication between the district and the parents.

Changes for 2023/2024 based on KDHE recommendations:

- The district no longer conducts contact tracing. All quarantines are only for people with a confirmed positive test of COVID-19.
- Close contacts of a positive COVID-19 case are encouraged to test if they become symptomatic within 5 days of exposure.
- Close contacts are not required to quarantine unless they test positive for COVID-19.
- Over-the-counter tests are available at all three USD101 learning centers and there are staff on site to administer those tests.

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