



ALLEGHENY-CLARION VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

HEALTH+SAFETY PLAN

2021-2022 School Year

The health and safety of the Allegheny-Clarion Valley staff and students remains, as always, the top priority for the organization. The A-C Valley administration continues to take critical steps and make decisions that protect the health and safety of our organization in the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our goal is to collaboratively ensure that staff and students continue to feel safe and secure so together we can successfully navigate into the 2021-2022 school year.

In response to the expiration of statewide mitigation orders, the *Organizational Standards + Expectations* below outline the protocols we expect of all staff and students as we transition forward.


Expectations are based on the latest mandates provided by the Governor’s Office, the Department





of Health (DOH), the Department of Education (PDE), the Department of Human Services (DHS), the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). We will continue to monitor communications and keep you informed.

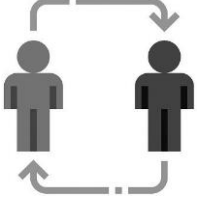




The athletic program will follow all local COVID-19 protocols based on the health and safety plan.

As conditions change related to COVID-19, protocols are subject to change. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dr. McDeavitt. Thank you for your continued commitment as we transition forward together.

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 <p>Self-Screen for COVID-19 Symptoms</p>	<p>a. Be aware of COVID-19 symptoms and monitor your health prior to reporting to and while at the workplace / school.</p> <p>b. If you are not feeling well, exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms (one or more symptoms from Group A or two or more from Group B), or are taking fever reducing medication, stay home and / or seek medical attention following the usual procedures for reporting off of work.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="488 1577 1052 2003"> <thead> <tr> <th>Group A (one or more symptoms)</th> <th>Group B (two or more symptoms)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Cough</td> <td>Fever (measured or subjective)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Shortness of breath</td> <td>Chills</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Difficulty breathing</td> <td>Rigors</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New olfactory disorder</td> <td>Myalgia</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New taste disorder</td> <td>Headache</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Sore throat</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Nausea or vomiting</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Diarrhea</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Fatigue</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Congestion or runny nose</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Group A (one or more symptoms)	Group B (two or more symptoms)	Cough	Fever (measured or subjective)	Shortness of breath	Chills	Difficulty breathing	Rigors	New olfactory disorder	Myalgia	New taste disorder	Headache		Sore throat		Nausea or vomiting		Diarrhea		Fatigue		Congestion or runny nose	<p>c. If you exhibit COVID-19 symptoms while at work, contact the school nurse, while following the usual procedures for reporting off of work.</p> <p>d. If you test positive for COVID-19 or have been exposed to individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19, follow the guidance provided by your health care provider or DOH related to isolation /quarantine, contact tracing, and returning to work. Also contact the school nurse and Dr. McDeavitt.</p> <p>e. Report exposure or positive COVID-19 test results to the school nurse and Dr. McDeavitt within 24 hours.</p>
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 <p>Communicable Disease Reporting Procedures</p>	<p>The Pennsylvania DOH considers COVID-19 a communicable disease. As such, it is among DOH's listing of reportable diseases.</p> <p>a. You are required to report a suspected or known case of COVID-19 to your supervisor within 24 hours.</p> <p>b. Follow the recommendation of the attending physician and report the absence in accordance with standard procedures.</p>	<p>c. A-C Valley SD is required to contact the Pennsylvania DOH and will follow their guidance. Guidance may include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Disease information; The distribution of appropriate letters and communications; Identification of high risk individuals; Appropriate action and treatment; and Ongoing support and assistance.
 <p>Practice Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette</p>	<p>a. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.</p> <p>b. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol (for staff and older children who can safely use hand sanitizer).</p> <p>c. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.</p> <p>d. Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or cough or sneeze into your</p>	<p>elbow. Used tissues should be thrown in the trash can and hands should be washed immediately with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Again, hand sanitizer may be used if soap and water are not available.</p> <p>e. Increase monitoring to ensure adherence among students.</p> <p>f. The District will utilize the updated HVAC system to circulate fresh air and encourage teacher's to open their windows.</p>
 <p>Wear Face Coverings</p>	<p>a. As of June 28, 2021, face coverings are optional for all individuals (staff, students, parents, and visitors), but the district encourages individuals to wear a face covering. In the future the District may have to revert back to face coverings if there is a COVID-19 outbreak within the District.</p>	<p>b. Staff who travel to other locations to provide service must adhere to the Health and Safety Plan of the location of service.</p> <p>c. While on school transportation, all students are required to wear a mask. The driver may not wear a mask if there are no passengers.</p>
 <p>Clean and Disinfect Your Workspace</p>	<p>a. Ensure your desk / workspace is clean and clear of files / folders to allow for cleaning of surface areas by the custodial staff.</p> <p>b. Clean your telephone, computer keyboard, and office doorknob / switches, if applicable, at the end of each workday.</p>	<p>c. Follow additional cleaning and disinfecting measures / protocols required within your program.</p> <p>d. Adhere to appropriate personal protective equipment guidelines.</p> <p>e. School buses/vans will be wiped down once a day.</p>

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 <p>Maintain Physical Distancing Protocols</p>	<p>a. PDE recommends maintaining physical distancing to the maximum extent possible from people who are not from your household in both indoor and outdoor spaces regardless of vaccination status.</p> <p>b. Refrain from physical contact with colleagues (handshakes, high fives, hugs).</p> <p>c. Be respectful of your colleagues’ personal space.</p> <p>d. When gathering in common, shared spaces, maintain physical distancing</p>	<p>to the maximum extent possible from one another.</p> <p>e. Refrain from sharing items that are difficult to clean, sanitize, or disinfect.</p> <p>f. There will be a 3-foot distance at all times while on campus.</p> <p>g. Assigned seats will be utilized in the classroom, cafeteria and transportation.</p>
 <p>Stay Informed of CDC’s Guidance Relative to Travel</p>	<p>a. Adhere to CDC’s guidance relative to travel and how to protect yourself when using public transportation.</p> <p>b. Stay especially vigilant with self-monitoring relative to COVID-19 symptoms for 14 days after travel.</p>	<p>c. Monitor and comply with state guidelines regarding travel advisories or orders.</p>
 <p>Monitor Communication and Confidentiality</p>	<p>a. Monitor communications through email, and SchoolMessenger calls to stay informed.</p> <p>b. Continue adhering to confidentiality policies and procedures.</p>	<p>c. Be mindful of conversations that are of a confidential nature around others to maintain privacy.</p>
 <p>Participate in Required Training</p>	<p>a. All current and newly hired staff are required to complete the following training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Health & Safety 2021-2022 Plan: August 23, 2021 In-Service</i> ii. Cleaning training 	<p>New Hires are required to complete assigned coursework as part of their onboarding process.</p>
 <p>Stay informed and Maintain Best Practices</p>	<p>a. Stay informed of the latest information and resources available by visiting the following sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov information related to healthy living and updates on diseases and conditions, such as learning about flu season and taking action to prevent the flu • Monthly newsletters from Highmark insurance 	<p>b. Contact Dr. McDeavitt with questions at 724-659-5820.</p>



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Effective July 1, 2021