Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (ARP Act)



Entity ID	CTDS	LEA NAME
07-82-14-000	91758	Archway Classical Academy North Phoenix

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 policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

CDC Safety Recommendations	Has the LEA Adopted a Policy? (Y/N)	Describe LEA Policy:
Universal and correct wearing of masks	Y	Optional Face/Mask Coverings: No messaging permitted on face/mask coverings (with exception of academy-related messages). Varied Colors and patterns are permitted.
Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding)	Y	Extraneous furniture has been removed from classrooms and desks have been spread out as much as possible to prevent direct contact between students.
Handwashing and respiratory etiquette	Y	Handwashing etiquette instruction completed at the beginning of school year. Handwashing signs posted in restrooms instructing students and staff on proper handwashing technique. Antibacterial soap in all bathrooms and hand sanitizer is made available to all students and staff. Proper respiratory etiquette (covering coughs and sneezes) is part of curriculum. Students are required to wash hands before eating.
Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation	Y	Cleaning is conducted with electrostatic sprayer all classrooms 3x weekly; Oxifer spray available to classrooms if needed; Day porter cleans all frequently used surfaces consistently throughout day with antibacterial wipes. Increased airflow and use of MERC-13 filters.
Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments	Y	CDC Isolation and Quarantine procedures were administered to all parents and faculty and are posted on the school's website including a detailed guide on symptomology, proper procedures and how to determine and report close contacts. All Close Contacts of positive cases are contacted, recorded and given Maricopa County of Health guidance on quarantine procedures. All Close Contacts are reported to appropriate governmental authorities.
Diagnostic and screening testing	Y	Staff is provided with a list of providers for diagnostic screening and testing. Cost of testing is covered by health coverage.
Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities	N	

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Appropriate accommodations for children	Y	All efforts will be made to accommodate
with disabilities with respect to health and		children with disabilities in regards to
safety policies		implemented health and safety policies in the
		classroom. Should the students IEP or physical
		or emotional well-being require it, online
		Academy offered in accordance with State
		guidelines. Special education and related
		services will be provided in accordance with
		students' IEPs, as is possible and feasible,
		utilizing alternative means if necessary. These
		methods can include:
		· Zoom for groups
		· Zoom for individuals
		· Google Classroom
		· Phone call · Online activities that can be done
		at any time
		As well as a combination of these methods.
		Considerations will be made as to what method
		of instruction and accommodations are
		necessary and will provide disabled students
		with access to a FAPE.
Coordination with State and local health	Y	Cases and all Close Contacts are reported to the
officials		County Health Department. State and Local
		Health ordinances and guidelines are followed
		and posted when appropriate on School's
		Website.

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

How the LEA will Ensure Continuity of Services?

Regular health and safety screenings are in place as well as additional staff and observation added to help facilitate return to in person services and learning.

Students' Needs:		
Academic Needs	Academic Dean will provide each grade level lead with a copy of practice Galileo tests for teachers to use as daily warm up problems in both ELA and Math. Introduce and explain Consonant/Vowel Consonant words. Including nonsense word practice with index cards and ladder game with rhyming words (CVC). Use Fly Swatter game to reinforce letter names. Use cupped hand when sounding out words with phonogram cards. Practice listening for first sound in words. Use the terminology that is set up in Dibels with students when teaching for Kindergarten. Teachers will continue Reading Intervention Small Groups and add a daily letter sounds review. Daily practice of relevant Math skills, Introduction of Rocket Math Daily for relevant grade levels. Performance coach for Fifth Grade.	
Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Needs	Lead Teachers and AT's will be sure to monitor students for classroom involvement as well as watching to make sure all students have engagement during free times like lunch and recess. MTSS coordinator will also check-in with grade level teams to discuss any students of concern. Teachers will incorporate mindfulness activities	



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	into their classrooms to create calm atmospheres and teach emotional self-regulation. MTSS coordinator will also work with lead teacher/AT for additional strategies for students that require extra help.
Other Needs (which may include student health and food services)	School will follow CDC's "No Share" Food Policy; All Faculty trained in identifying symptoms of illness specific to COVID-19 and instructed to take immediate action when students appear to be exhibiting symptoms.
Staff Needs:	
Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Needs	During the weekly team meetings, everyone will check in with a green, yellow or red rating. Team leads will report back to the headmaster on any concerns. I will schedule a meeting with staff that need emotional support. I will also provide a quarterly check-in with all AT's. Instructional coaches will also give HM report on the climate of staff they are coaching. In everything we do, my leadership team is committed to thinking about the time and toll it takes on teachers/staff. Making time each quarter in Wednesday PD to gather in seminar team building or socially. Assign each new staff member with a veteran staff member. Once a month meetups outside of work. Continue mindfulness and other stress relieving strategies in meetings.
Other Needs	Headmaster check-ins and added availability of administrative staff.

The LEA must regularly, but <u>no less frequently than every six months</u> (taking into consideration the timing of significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools), review and, as appropriate, revise its plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services through September 30, 2023				
Date of Revision	October 15, 2021			
Public Input				
Describe the process used to seek public input, and how that input was taken into account in the revision of the plan:	Community Stakeholder meeting held on August 17, 2021 between Parents, Community Leaders, Faculty and Administration regarding feedback on Great Hearts policies and needs that have arisen due to COVID both academic and social-emotional. Parent Survey sent out at the beginning of the School Year and parent feedback was complied and implemented district-wide.			

U.S. Department of Education Interim Final Rule (IFR)

(1) LEA Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services

- (a) An LEA must describe in its plan under section 2001(i)(1) of the ARP Act for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services—
 - (i) how it 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 policies, on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC:
 - (A) Universal and correct wearing of masks.
 - (B) Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding)
 - (C) Handwashing and respiratory etiquette.
 - (D) Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation.

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- (E) Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments.
- (F) Diagnostic and screening testing.
- (G) Efforts to provide vaccinations to school communities.
- (H) Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies.
- (I) Coordination with State and local health officials.
- (ii) how it will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students' and staff social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services.

(b)(i) During the period of the ARP ESSER award established in section Start Printed Page 212022001(a) of the ARP Act, an LEA must regularly, but no less frequently than every six months (taking into consideration the timing of significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools), review and, as appropriate, revise its plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services.

- (ii) In determining whether revisions are necessary, and in making any revisions, the LEA must seek public input and take such input into account
- (iii) If at the time the LEA revises its plan the CDC has updated its guidance on reopening schools, the revised plan must address the extent to which the LEA has adopted policies, and describe any such policies, for each of the updated safety recommendations.
- (c) If an LEA developed a plan prior to enactment of the ARP Act that meets the statutory requirements of section 2001(i)(1) and (2) of the ARP Act but does not address all the requirements in paragraph (a), the LEA must, pursuant to paragraph (b), revise and post its plan no later than six months after receiving its ARP ESSER funds to meet the requirements in paragraph (a).
- (d) An LEA's plan under section 2001(i)(1) of the ARP Act for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services must be—
 - (i) In an understandable and uniform format;
 - (ii) To the extent practicable, written in a language that parents can understand or, if it is not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, be orally translated for such parent; an
 - (iii) Upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent