



Turpin Public Schools

Safe Return & Continuity of Service Plan
2023-2024

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Turpin Public Schools (TPS) believes that the safety of our students, staff, and families is the ultimate priority in these unprecedented times. We have worked urgently and diligently to prepare and plan for any situation that may arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic in order to keep our students in school and learning.

Included in this plan are the learning options for families to consider, the measure that will be taken to support students, staff, and families emotionally, mentally, and/or physically, and the mitigation efforts based on the current health climate to safeguard the health and well-being of our students and staff. As the health climate changes, so may components of our plan.

As we embark upon the 2023-2024 school year, TPS will continue serving students in-person with traditional learning and follow the board approved calendar found at the back of this document. Our staff remains focused on our mission: Turpin Public Schools will educate all students and empower lifelong learners. We know the best way to do this is with face-to-face services to the extent possible.

District administration will utilize CDC guidelines and the continued collaboration with local health professionals, community stakeholders, school stakeholders, and Oklahoma State Department of Education. Our "Safe Return and Continuity of Service Plan" will be updated every six months through September of 2024.

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Superintendent, Turpin Public Schools

HOW CAN I HELP THE SCHOOL AS A PARENT/GUARDIAN?

- Utilize the home health self-screening checklist daily and keep ill children home (page 9).
- Reinforce at home standard health safety measures such as covering coughs and sneezes.
- Openly communicate concerns directly with your child's teacher or school.
- Donate hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, face coverings, no touch thermometers, and additional school supplies.



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TRADITIONAL LEARNING - Option 1

Learning Management System: Google Classroom

All students are automatically enrolled in Option 1

- Remain a TPS student
- In-person learning, conversations, and engagement
- Social interaction with peers and staff
- Immediate access to libraries and materials
- Learning Management System connects teachers, students, and parents for seamless learning transitions, even during short-term routing absences.
- 24/7 online access to submitted and/or graded assignments.
- Technology and internet provided as needed. Certain conditions must be met. Contact your school principal with technology/internet needs.
- Participate in school-sponsored activities and fine arts programs.

REMOTE LEARNING - Option 2

Learning Management System: Google Classroom

Students are enrolled in Option 2 for intermittent health concerns lasting more than a 3 days. Contact your school principal for more information.

- Remain a TPS student.
- The same learning management system is used for "Remote Learning" and "Traditional Learning" for easy transitions.
- Learning Management System connects teachers, students, and parents for seamless learning transitions, even during short-term routing absences.
- 24/7 online access to submitted and/or graded assignments.
- Technology and internet provided as needed. Certain conditions must be met. Contact your school principal with technology/internet needs.
- Participation in school-sponsored athletics and fine arts programs will resume when the student returns to Option 1.



School Day Operations for Elementary and Secondary

Turpin Public Schools will monitor the occurrences of COVID-19 weekly and use CDC Guidelines to safeguard the students and staff as appropriate for the health conditions.

HOME HEALTH SELF-SCREENINGS

It is important that all families and staff partner with us in monitoring health. We ask that families and staff utilize the self-screening checklist on page 9 prior to coming to TPS facilities and events. No student or staff with a fever of 100.1 degrees or higher may enter any TPS facility. No fever reducing medication may be taken to reduce fever.

TEMPERATURE DEVELOPS WHILE AT SCHOOL

If a student or staff member exhibits a fever of 100.1 degrees or higher while at school, they must immediately be picked up from school or leave (if they are a driver). They cannot return to school until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication.

ATTENDANCE

For the health and safety of all students, remote learning should be utilized on days when students have a fever or other symptoms of illness. Students who have a health reason that is verified by a parent/guardian or medical professional will receive an excused absence. When students are in remote they are expected to actively participate in course work daily.

TRANSPORTATION

Turpin Public Schools transports students who live a distance from the school to and from school daily. Due to the large number of students that rely on transportation provided by the district, social distancing will be challenging and may not be possible. Transportation vehicles will be frequently cleaned and disinfected daily. When possible, windows will be down for air circulation, as recommended by the CDC and the Oklahoma State Department of Education. Parents need to take these factors into consideration when deciding if school transportation is the best option for their child.

RESTROOMS

Student and staff restrooms will be frequently cleaned and disinfected daily.



School Day Operations for Elementary and Secondary

CLASSROOMS

Classroom desks and common seating areas (including tables) will be arranged to maximize space between students and classroom surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected daily.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

TPS will continue to monitor pacing guides to include academic standards that may have been missed due to COVID-19 school closures. The district will be establishing extended school day activities and summer learning opportunities for high school students as we move forward.

WATER FOUNTAINS & WATER BOTTLES

Students are encouraged to bring their own water bottles every day and they will have access to refill stations. The use of standard water fountains that individuals directly drink from will be discouraged to help prevent the spread of germs.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Please note, parents/visitors may not be allowed to eat meals with students in the school facilities if community spread of COVID-19 is prolific. Child nutrition staff will take precautions during the food preparation and distribution. Kitchens will meet health department standards for cleanliness and sanitation as required by law.

CLEANING & DISINFECTING

TPS developed new cleaning protocols for building custodians that includes increased sanitation of high-contact surfaces throughout the school day. Hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom and are easily accessible throughout all schools.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Google Classroom and other online programs are the Learning Management Systems that TPS students and teachers will use for all instruction. WenGage has a parent portal that provides access to student grades, tardies, and attendance. We encourage parents and guardians to become familiar with these products.



School Day Operations for Elementary and Secondary

COMMUNICATION

TPS uses the Thrillshare App to call, email or text parents/guardians directly. This product offers multiple language supports. Additionally, the district relies on its webpage at www.turpinps.org.

VISITORS, VOLUNTEERS, & SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

All visitors, volunteers, and substitute teachers are asked to use the health self-screening checklist (page 9) before entering the facilities. Visitors will only be allowed for essential purposes.

HALLWAYS & PASSING TIMES

Students will adhere to procedures and follow traffic patterns established to encourage social distancing in the hallways and passing times to minimize direct contact and possible exposure.

DEVICES - IPADS, LAPTOPS, & CHROMEBOOKS

In the event that schools must transition from Traditional Learning (Option 1) to Remote Learning (Option 2), students in grades 7-12 have access to their chromebooks. Students in grades Pk-6th will contact their homeroom teacher for further instruction.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

If school is moved to remote learning due to COVID or other illnesses, students with disabilities are offered the option to learn in person in classrooms that have been deep cleaned and sanitized. Adaptive technology for student with disabilities to use when they are required to engage in remote learning due to quarantine or inclement weather will be available. The IEP team can assist families with decisions for a learning plan and platform that best meets the needs of the student.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

The Athletic Director will continue to work closely with the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association (OSSAA) to implement health and safety protocols for all practices and sanctioned sporting events.

**Please, check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website often for the latest information and guidance:
www.cdc.gov/**



KEY PREVENTION AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

MASKS

Turpin Public Schools will continue coordinating with local and state health officials concerning community spread and infection rates and masks will **not** be a schoolwide requirement while incidents of COVID-19 remain low. Individual teachers maintain the right to require masks in their classrooms. Students will **not** be prohibited from wearing masks as a personal or family choice. TPS will communicate changes in this policy if the health climate demands them.

MODIFICATION OF FACILITIES

Facilities are marked to show the recommended 3-6 feet of distance in seating and standing areas wherever possible throughout the Turpin School District. Plexiglass partitions have been installed in office areas to add a barrier of protection for secretaries.

HAND WASHING & RESPIRATORY ETIQUETTE

Students are trained and reminded in classrooms about the healthy benefits of proper and frequent handwashing as well as respiratory etiquette of covering the mouth during coughs and sneezes. Signage is posted throughout the district with these reminders as well. Hand sanitizer is available in classrooms, offices, cafeterias, and anywhere students or patrons may pass.

CLEANING AND MAINTAINING FACILITIES

Turpin Public Schools sanitizes classrooms, buses, and cafeteria eating areas.

DIAGNOSTIC AND SCREENING TESTING

Turpin Public Schools remains in close collaboration with the Beaver County Health Department who offer COVID support to our employees and students for screening and for vaccinations.

VACCINATION EFFORTS

Texas County Health Department reserved 2 days for Turpin Schools staff and other educators to receive vaccinations in March and April of 2021. The vaccinations have become available at local pharmacies. TPS has an ongoing collaboration with the Beaver County Health Department for COVID support and will assist staff and/or students in acquiring the vaccine.



KEY PREVENTION AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

COORDINATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS

Turpin Public Schools has worked in collaboration with the State, County, and Local Health Officials to develop contact tracing protocols, implementation of COVID prevention protocols, and vaccination schedules.

MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

It is important to remember that COVID-19 has affected and will continue to impact all students, staff, and families emotionally, mentally and/or physically. The social, emotional, and mental wellness of our students and staff are essential to a successful learning environment.

CONTACT TRACING, ISOLATION, & QUARANTINE

The Superintendent has attended training zoom calls with the Oklahoma State Health Department to be informed on the status of infections, testing, vaccines, and CDC guidance for prevention habits, isolation, and quarantine in order to keep our students and staff as safe as possible to maintain in-person learning for Turpin students.

Self-Screening Checklist

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Do you have a fever of 100.1 degrees or higher? | Yes/No |
| 2. Do you currently have any flu like symptoms? | Yes/No |
| 3. Do you currently have a cough or experiencing shortness of breath? | Yes/No |
| 4. Have you had a sudden loss of taste or smell? | Yes/No |

If you demonstrate any of the symptoms listed above, please, report your absence to school staff. Contact the Beaver County Health Department for diagnostic screening.



ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS DURING REMOTE OR VIRTUAL LEARNING

If your child should be quarantined or require remote or virtual learning, please, have your child continue their education and academic progress online within their Google Classroom, Edgenuity, or for elementary, please contact your homeroom teacher for further instruction.

Results from the 2020-2021 school year of remote learning, a pattern of incomplete assignments exists. We want to improve this situation so that students do not have poor grades and incomplete conceptual understanding. We feel that students could benefit greatly from doing their remote work during the actual school day, and we believe that it is vital for students to maintain a work schedule that approximates their typical school schedule.

- Students will be expected to actively participate on Google Classroom, Edgenuity assignments, or other assigned by your teacher **DAILY**.
- To establish their attendance, students will either:
 - Join Google Meets held by their teacher at the time their class is meeting; or
 - Use email to contact their teacher to affirm that they are actively engaged in learning activities; or
 - The student may be counted “present” when the teacher determines they can provide evidence of student/teacher/course interaction that demonstrates student progress toward learning objectives and demonstrates regular student engagement,
 - Students who do not meet one of the criteria above will be considered absent. Students absent from any class more than ten days may receive a NC (no credit) for the course.
- Most interaction with teachers should occur during the school day via email or communication apps. Teachers may not be available to answer questions until their planning times or after school.
- **STUDENT WORK WILL BE DUE ON THE DATE SPECIFIED BY THE TEACHER.** Students in remote learning due to quarantine will not be given extra time to complete assignments unless illness prevents online participation. Teachers will still follow provisions in the IEP for students in special education.
- Extenuating circumstances (student illness, technological issues, etc.) will be considered. Students should inform teachers about special circumstances and teachers should communicate issues to the principal to manage.



Communication of COVID-19

- If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 with a classmate or staff member within a classroom, parents will be notified of the possible exposure.
- If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 with a teammate or staff member within an extracurricular activity, parents will be notified of the possible exposure.
- If there is confirmed close-contact with a symptomatic person, affected students and staff will be notified.
- If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, they cannot return to TPS facilities until they are symptom free and have completed the quarantine requirements. During recovery, students will transition to Remote Learning (Option 2) and their teachers will work with him/her to complete missing assignments. Please, contact your school to alert them of your absence and health situation.
- If a family member tests positive for COVID-19, please contact the school to alert of your health situation.

NOTE: We will update our plan and procedures as health recommendations and guidance from the CDC, the Beaver County Health Department, and local/state officials continue to evolve.



Consultation Schedule for Plan Updates

This plan will be updated every 6 months through September of 2024. Consultation meetings will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the High School Library, and the public is invited to attend. Scheduled Meeting dates will be:

June 1, 2021
November 30, 2021
June 1, 2022
November 30, 2022
June 1, 2023
November 30, 2023
June 1, 2024

The updated plan will be posted on the Turpin Schools' website
www.turpinps.org.

SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS

People with COVID-19 can have mild symptoms or severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus.

A FEVER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO HAVE COVID-19.

Symptoms are:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Muscle or body aches
- Fatigue
- Fever or chills
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose

2023 - 2024 School Calendar

Turpin Public School



August 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Teacher In-Service			1st Day of School		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

March 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
					1	2
					No School	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
				P/T Conf.		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Spring Break					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					No School	
31						

September 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
					1	2
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	No School					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

November 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	THANKSGIVING BREAK					
26	27	28	29	30		

January 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Classes Begin			Teacher Inservice	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

April 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
					No School	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
					No School	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		P/T Conf	FALL BREAK			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

December 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
					1	2
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			Christmas Break			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Christmas Break Continued					

February 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
					No School	
25	26	27	28	29		

May 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
					No School	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					No School	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	