

Peck Community School District 2023-24

Return to In-person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

Peck Community School District will continue to prioritize full, in-person teaching and learning which provides the greatest benefit to students. Ensuring that this can happen both consistently and safely during the upcoming school year. **The 2023-24 Return to In-Person and Continuity of Services Plan** provides detailed guidance to ensure that COVID-19 prevention and mitigation measures are implemented in a way that fosters optimal learning environments while simultaneously ensuring the health and safety for students and staff in the school district. This plan ensures that our school district has a detailed plan for continuity of a successful and safe return to school and learning environment.

Please Note: This plan may change and evolve as knowledge changes surrounding current and potential variants or if the risks of severe disease, hospitalizations, or death increase. The plan may also need to vary based on in-school COVID-19 activity and outbreaks. If such changes are necessary, transition time may be needed to allow the district or building to adjust mitigation strategies. Periodically, but not more than every six months during the life of the grant, the plan will be reviewed, and updates will be completed, if deemed necessary.

Supporting Documents: MDE and MDHHS "Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools" MDHHS Readiness, Response, Recovery Cycle CDC Community Levels MI Safe Start Map

The CDC will determine the COVID-19 community level for the county. Based on the community COVID-19 level, in consultation with the MDHHS, the District will determine the number of mitigation strategies to implement foster optimal learning environments while simultaneously ensuring the health and safety of students and staff.

The district will comply with any and all local, state, and federal mandates/orders.

The following plan outlines measures for the CDC COVID-19 Community Levels of low, medium, and high.

The levels do not apply in situations of COVID-19 outbreaks in schools, classrooms, or athletics.

Return to In-Person Instruction for the 2023-24 School Year

Reconfirm how instruction will be delivered for each grade level: September 2023		
Pre-Kindergarten: _X_ In-person		
Additional Comments:		
Elementary: (K-5) _X_ In-person _Hybrid (combination of in-person and virtual) Virtual-Live Synchronous Virtual-Asynchronous Educational hard-copy materials Other		
Additional Comments: Parents may request virtual instruction if needed based on medical needs.		
Middle School: (6-8) _X_ In-person _Hybrid (combination of in-person and virtual) Virtual-Live Synchronous Virtual-Asynchronous Educational hard-copy materials Other		
Additional Comments: Parents may request virtual instruction based on medical needs.		

High School: (9-12)	
_X_In-person	
Hybrid (combination of in-person and virtual)	
Virtual-Live Synchronous	
Virtual-Asynchronous	
Educational hard-copy materials	
Other	
Additional Comments: Parents may request virtual instruction based on medical needs.	

Recommended Prevention/Mitigation Strategies:

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Instructional Format		
In-person instruction will occur.	In-person instruction will occur.	In-person instruction will occur, but some classes, grades, or buildings may be moved temporarily to remote instruction if required/recommended by the health department due to outbreaks and to control in-school spread.
Athletics Athletics		
Athletic practices and competitions will be permitted. MHSAA guidelines will be followed.	Athletic practices and competitions will be permitted. MHSAA guidelines will be followed.	Athletic practices and competitions will be permitted, and additional health and safety protocols as deemed appropriate by the health department and MHSAA may be put into place.
Athletic testing will not be required unless mandated by the MHSAA or a local or state agency and/or a sanctioning body.		

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	
Cleaning and Disinfecting			
The district will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures.	The district will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures.	The district will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures may be implemented in classrooms during the school day.	
	Cohorting		
Mixing of students will not be restricted.	Mixing of students will not be restricted.	Mixing of students may be restricted in some areas, activities, classrooms, and/or buildings.	
	Extracurricular and Field Trips		
Extracurricular activities may occur as scheduled.	Extracurricular activities may occur as scheduled.	Extracurricular activities may occur as scheduled with additional health and safety protocols in place or they may be paused.	
	Face Coverings (Masks)		
Masks are encouraged but not required after an isolation period.	Masks are encouraged but not required after an isolation period.	Staff, students, volunteers, and visitors are recommended to wear face masks in all areas and for all activities. The district may choose to require masks when required by the MDHHS.	
	Food Service		
Normal food service operations will occur.	Normal food service operations will occur.	Normal food service operations will occur. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place as required by the MDHHS.	
	Gatherings and Facility Use		
No restrictions on gatherings or use of facilities.	No restriction on gatherings or use of facilities.	Restrictions on gathering size and/or use of facilities may be implemented as recommended by the health department.	

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette		
Hand hygiene/hand sanitation and respiratory etiquette are taught, encouraged, and expected.	Hand hygiene/hand sanitation and respiratory etiquette are taught, encouraged, and expected.	Hand hygiene/hand sanitation and respiratory etiquette are taught, encouraged, and expected.
Isolation and Quarantine		
The district will follow current guidance and requirements of MDHHS.		
Meetings and Conferences		
In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted. However, virtual meetings may be encouraged.
Offices		
District and building offices will be open for normal school business. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings per district policy.	District and building offices will be open for normal school business. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings per district policy.	District and building offices will be open for normal school business. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place as deemed appropriate. Visitors and guests are allowed in building per district policy, but visitors and guests may be limited.
	Remote/Virtual Learning	
The district has a virtual option for students in grades K-12. Students who are unable to attend in person due to testing positive for COVID and must isolate or quarantine have access to their instructional materials via Google Classroom. If a classroom or school is closed due to a COVID-19 outbreak, students impacted by the closure may be provided remote learning opportunities throughout the closure.		

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Social Distancing		
Social distancing measures are not required.	Social distancing measures are not required.	Feasible social distancing measures will be put in place. Adjustments to school procedures, schedules, activities, etc., may be made to adjust to the social distancing requirements based on the guidance from the health department.
Health Screening		

Parents/guardians should conduct daily student wellness check prior to sending students to school.

DO NOT SEND STUDENTS TO SCHOOL IF THEY ARE SICK.

See the student illness section.

Student Illness

Parents/Guardians are not to send children to school who are ill per board of education policy. Students exhibiting the following symptoms that are new or different/worse from their baseline of any chronic illness shall remain home or excluded from school until the student is symptom-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication or as indicated for their illness.

- Severely ill (lethargic or less responsive, has difficulty breathing)
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Fever (temp over 100.4) or feeling feverish/chills
- Vomiting (two or more times)
- Cough, shortness of breath
- Diarrhea (two or more loose or watery stools)
- Sore throat
- Abdominal pain
- Runny or stuffy nose (congestion)
- · Rash with fever
- Muscle or body aches
- · Wearing skin sores that cannot be covered
- Headaches

New loss of taste or smell		
Transportation		
Normal transportation operations will occur.	Normal transportation operations will occur.	Normal transportation operations will occur. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place as recommended by the health department.
Vaccinations		

The district is not requiring staff or students to be vaccinated. MDHHS and CDC recommend COVID-19 vaccination as the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic as well as keep schools, extracurricular activities, and sports safely operational and in-person.