

# Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

TGU SCHOOL DISTRICT LAST REVIEWED: 07/12/2023

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The purpose of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund is to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools and address the impact of COVID-19 on the nation's students by addressing student academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs. This document provides an outline of the TGU School District plan for a return to inperson instruction and continuity of services.

The TGU School District was able to safely return to in-person instruction on August 26, 2020. We were able to accomplish this through diligent planning and utilization of the Smart Restart Plan approved by the TGU School Board on August 5, 2020. By implementing strategies in the Smart Restart Plan we were able to control the spread of COVID-19 within our schools during the 2020-2021 school year.

The TGU School District safely returned students to in-person instruction during the 2020-2021 school year. This plan, therefore, will focus on a continuity of service. Specifically, we will focus upon three key areas: health and safety strategies, academic need, and social, emotional, and mental health. The increase in supports will be a direct response the influence of COVID-19 on our students and their learning opportunities.

### **Health and Safety Strategies**

- Masks are no longer required, but will be available for students and staff who choose to wear them.
- Classrooms were set up to provide social distancing for students during the 2020-2021 school year. Common areas and class schedules were also reconfigured to reduce comingling of students. The district will monitor this situation and continually assess this need.
- Hand washing and personal hygiene will be encouraged. Posters will be used to stress proper cleaning procedures.
- Hand sanitizer and sanitizing stations will remain available throughout each facility.
- Updated cleaning procedures for each facility will continue, including periodic disinfecting of classrooms with a Clorox Total 360 System.
- Appropriate accommodations for all students with disabilities will be provided.

### Academic Need

- Creation of student proficiency pathways for a multi-tiered system of support, specifically in areas of math and reading.
- Structuring of class schedule to allow for intervention periods to address areas of learning loss.
- The district will provide professional development for staff members targeted specifically at identified areas of learning loss.

#### Social, Emotional, and Mental Health

- The district will contract for mental health and counseling services for students. This will be in addition to our school counselor, who will also provide services to our students.
- Professional development of staff will include training on mental health issues.

#### **Periodic Review**

The TGU School District will review this plan at least every six months. As a part of this process, the TGU School District will consider public input on the plan. Revisions will be made to address learning and mental health needs.

Previous Review Dates:

- 07/21/2021
- 01/12/2022
- 07/18/2022
- 01/11/2023