

## **ARP Safe Return Plan**

### **Universal and Correct Wearing of Masks**

The district's plan for mask wearing will follow guidance issued by the Department of Health and/or any Executive Orders issued by the Governor. As guidance changes, the current procedures will adapt. Mask wearing mandates may be in effect in the case of a "very high" transmission rate. Individuals are permitted to wear masks regardless of transmission rates.

### **Physical Distancing**

The district's plan for physical distancing will follow guidance issued by the Department of Health and/or any Executive Orders issued by the Governor. As guidance changes, the current procedures will adapt.

### **Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette**

The school district will continue with previously implemented comprehensive hand washing and hygiene protocols. The district provides signage throughout all school facilities regarding hand washing and respiratory etiquette. Placement of hand sanitizing stations throughout common areas and classrooms will continue. Students are taught proper hand washing procedures, and signage reminds of those procedures by the sinks. All students, staff and visitors are encouraged to follow sanitizing and hand washing procedures as per the most recent guidance from the NJ Department of Health and the CDC.

### **Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities**

High-touch surface areas will be cleaned periodically. Bathrooms will be cleaned on a cycle schedule. High traffic areas are cleaned frequently during and after school hours. Hydration stations remain as options for students and staff. Hand sanitizer stations are available in each classroom and in common areas throughout each building. Students and staff are encouraged, via signage, to wash their hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer throughout the day. Depending on the guidelines issued by the Health Department, Department of Education, and Governor's Executive Orders, assigned and consistent seating in the cafeterias may be utilized. Utilized surface areas will be wiped down between meals. Custodians will continue to monitor all building repairs and preventative maintenance, including the HVAC systems and air filters. Outside air dampers will be open as much as possible in order to maximize airflow and air exchange.

### **Contact Tracing**

The school district will continue to follow the guidance issued by the Department of Health and/or any Executive Orders regarding contact tracing and quarantines,

including those related to travel advisories issued by the State of New Jersey. The school nurses continue to consult the local health department in collaboration with isolation, quarantine and contact tracing guidance.

### **Diagnostic and Screening Testing**

The district's school nurses and the Camden County Department of Health will continue to make referrals to local facilities, as well as communicate with families related to current guidance. Parents/guardians should monitor their children daily for signs of illness and should not send their children to school if they are ill. The school nurse should be contacted with any questions/concerns regarding symptoms. Each building has potential designated isolation areas to utilize for individuals who are demonstrating COVID-like symptoms.

### **Vaccination Efforts**

The district's school nurses will continue to provide vaccination information to staff and students as it is provided by the Camden County Department of Health and Camden County Department of Education.

### **Appropriate Accommodations**

Accommodations will be made for children with disabilities based on their particular need(s) through collaboration with the Child Study Team and the student's parents/guardians.

### **Continuity of Services**

Haddon Township School District will continue to provide academic, social and behavioral support to all students. Through the I&RS referral processes, students are identified for additional support through a process of data collection and analysis combined with teacher and parent recommendations and input. The district is committed to providing students with differentiated instruction that addresses trauma, social emotional support, and academic gaps from the last two years as school returns to "normal". This includes the continuation of two additional full-time counselors and an additional nurse. The district has hired additional part-time educational assistants to assist elementary grades teachers and to work with students who have been identified as having learning loss associated with COVID-19 school disruption. Food services, including student breakfast and lunches, will continue to be provided.

### **Public Comment**

In addition to welcoming public comments at the Board of Education meeting, the district also encourages any community members to share their concerns with the

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Robert Fisicaro, [rfisicaro@htsd.us](mailto:rfisicaro@htsd.us) or the head nurse, Kathleen McCutcheon, [KMcCutcheon@htsd.us](mailto:KMcCutcheon@htsd.us).

**Access to Plan**

The plan has been posted on the district website [www.haddontwpschools.com](http://www.haddontwpschools.com). (<https://www.haddontwpschools.com/domain/405>) Other specific accommodations will be honored upon request.

**Professional Guidance and Technical Assistance**

Professional guidance and technical assistance will be available via teams and committees in accordance with guidelines from the county and state.