



Kittatinny Regional School District Procedures for 2021-2022 School Year (Updated 2-17-2022)

As per the state provided Road Forward Document, schools must plan to provide full-day, full-time, in-person instruction and operations for the 2021-2022 school year. There will not be a remote instruction format provided to families unless there is a documented medical issue that would prevent your child from attending KRHS in an in-person format. The document is broken down into different sections from The Road Forward document. If a procedure or process is not listed below, it is understood that it has not changed from the start of the 2020 - 21 school year.

DAILY SCHEDULE: Kittatinny Regional High School will return with a traditional schedule. Students arrive for a 7:35 a.m. homeroom start and are dismissed at 2:15 p.m. The schedule is as follows:

1st Warning Bell	7:32	
2nd Warning Bell	7:34	
Homeroom	7:35	7:41
Period 1	7:41	8:21
Period 2	8:25	9:05
Period 3	9:09	9:49
Period 4	9:53	10:33
Period 5 (Lunch)	10:37	11:17
Period 6 (Lunch)	11:21	12:01
Period 7 (Lunch)	12:05	12:45
Period 8	12:49	1:29
Period 9	1:33	2:15

- Students will be reminded to appropriately space while traveling in the hallways in between classes. Students will also be instructed to travel on the right side of the hallways, allowing for smoother flow of traffic.
- Student desks should continue to be set up with a minimum of three feet between students (nose to nose).
- Restroom capacity will be limited to two students at a time.
- Cafeteria procedures are listed below under section **1.6 MEALS**.
- Outside instructional areas will be utilized as weather permits.

As of March 7, 2022, as per Governor Murphy, Executive Orders 251 will expire and the “Public Health Emergency” for face coverings will not be extended through this Executive Order. Kittatinny Regional School District is required to continue to follow the ~~Governor of New Jersey Executive Order 251, New Jersey Department of Health and New Jersey Department of Education guidance on K-12 School District protocols~~ Kittatinny Regional School District is required to continue to follow the ~~Governor of New Jersey Executive Order 251,~~ **recommended to follow** the New Jersey Department of Health and New Jersey Department of Education guidance on K-12 School District protocols:

The Road Forward

(https://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/RecommendationsForLocalHealthDepts_K12Schools.pdf)

New Jersey Department of Education K-12 Guidance (March 23, 2021)

https://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/RecommendationsForLocalHealthDepts_K12Schools.pdf

We will update our community on any changes to this guiding document.

1. General Health and Safety Guidelines

1.1 Vaccination: Schools are encouraged to have a system in place to determine the vaccination status of students and staff, however, if an LEA is unable to determine the vaccination status of individual students or staff, those individuals should be considered not fully vaccinated. As per ~~Executive Order 251 and~~ Executive Order 253, staff will be required to be vaccinated by October 18, 2021 or submit to weekly testing requirements as per the E.O.

Plan for Staff: Staff will be asked to provide proof of vaccination to our school nurse at the beginning of the school year. At any point if a staff member becomes vaccinated, it is their responsibility to inform our school nurse and provide necessary documentation. If you do not provide proof of vaccination, you will be considered unvaccinated which may impact if you need to quarantine or not.

Plan for Students: Students will be required to demonstrate proof of vaccination in applicable situations such as quarantining. Proof of vaccination will not be a requirement to attend KRHS.

Sussex County Department of Health Vaccination Information:

https://www.sussex.nj.us/cn/webpage.cfm?TPID=17480&utm_source=healthhome&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=COVID19

1.2 Communication:

Plan: The school district will be in close communication with the Department of Health and the Department of Education in all things related to COVID-19. Relevant information will be sent to parties as needed. The main methods of communication will be phone, email, and text through our Realtime notification system. **COVID-19 notifications will be sent only to close contacts, not schoolwide.**

1.3 Masks:

Plan: Face Coverings (masks) will be optional for all students, staff, and visitors beginning on March 7, 2022. Face Coverings (masks) will be required on all school buses at all times until further notice is provided changing this federal requirement. **In the event that there is an increase in infection rate in the local community or school district the district reserves the right to mandate face coverings in indoor facilities based on the following metrics:**

During periods of “high infection rates” Kittatinny Regional School District reserves the right to implement a mandatory mask requirement due to a local public health emergency based on the following metrics:

New Jersey Department of Health COVID-19 Activity Level Index (CALI):

- ❖ **High Level of Transmission (ORANGE) for two consecutive weeks (Northwest Region)**

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- ❖ **Very High (RED) or Severe (MAROON) Risk Level and an “Infection Rate” infection rate of 1.1 or higher for Sussex County**

Average Local Infection Rate:

- ❖ **In school positive case rate of 1.5% or more cases for two consecutive weeks or a local outbreak as determined by the New Jersey Department of Health Sussex County Office**

All three measures COVID-19 Activity Levels must be present for the school district to discuss reimplementation of mandatory face coverings for student and staff members until the COVID-19 activity declines.

As per Executive Order 521, masking is mandated by the Governor of New Jersey in all indoor premises of all public, private, and parochial preschool, elementary, and secondary school buildings. Exceptions include the following:

- ~~When doing so would inhibit the individual's health, such as when the individual is exposed to extreme heat indoors; (Excluding students/staff in air conditioned areas of the building – the definition of extreme heat for the School Districts within the Kittatinny Region will be a “heat index or feels like temperature” of 90 degrees for at least one day)~~
- ~~When the individual has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance;~~
- ~~When a student's documented medical condition or disability, as reflected in an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Educational Plan pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, precludes use of a face covering;~~
- ~~When the individual is under two (2) years of age;~~
- ~~When an individual is engaged in an activity that cannot be performed while wearing a mask, such as eating and drinking or playing an instrument that would be obstructed by the face covering;~~
- ~~When the individual is engaged in high-intensity aerobic or anaerobic activity;~~

- ~~When a student is participating in high intensity physical activities during a physical education class in a well-ventilated location and able to maintain a physical distance from all other individuals;~~
- ~~When wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition in which to operate equipment or execute a task.~~

1.4 Maintain Physical Distancing: Physical distancing must not prevent the school from offering full-day, full-time, in person learning to all students for the 2021-2022 school year.

Plan: To maintain three to six feet of distancing between students and staff whenever possible. Students will continue to change classes during the nine period day.

1.5 Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette

Plan: To continue to educate students on the proper hand washing with soap and water (or hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available). Hand sanitizer will contain 60% alcohol. To frequently wash hands prior to moving to and from new locations.

1.6 Meals

Plan: Students will eat in the cafeteria, gymnasium and outdoors as they maintain physical distancing, when feasible, during receiving meals on the line, eating, and cleaning up. Cafeteria seats will be marked with three feet of space between them. In the high school cafeteria, **six** ~~three~~ students can fit at each cafeteria table. High School students will have the opportunity to use a variety of locations to eat lunch, including the cafeteria, window seats, and media center. Students may utilize barriers while eating meals. Outdoor seating will be available to both junior high and high school students, when weather permits.

1.7 Transportation

Plan: As per the **Federal CDC Requirements, State of New Jersey,** masks must continue to be worn at all times on transportation, regardless of vaccination status. This is a mandate from the **CDC and supported by the NJDOE, NJDOH,** ~~and recommended by the CDC.~~

2 Cleaning, Disinfection, and Airflow

2.1 Limit Use of Shared Supplies and Equipment

Plan: Students will use hand sanitizer or wash their hands with soap and water between equipment use and before traveling to/from other rooms.

2.2 Cleaning and Disinfection

Plan: All spaces will be cleaned and disinfected nightly with products certified to kill COVID19. Throughout the day high touch areas will be cleaned and disinfected as needed. We will continue to employ additional preventative measures, as we have for the past 18 months, to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other diseases.

2.3 Improving Airflow

Plan: All spaces have been inspected and all HVAC systems are properly working. All classrooms have either Unit Ventilators, self contained roof units and/ or windows to allow for fresh air circulation. We will increase the openings of the dampers to increase fresh air flow into the classrooms. Interior classrooms and other spaces have been provided portable air cleaners to assist classroom air quality. All portable and fixed HVAC units have clean and new filters and will be changed according to manufacturer's specification or more often depending on need. Hallways, classrooms and other educational spaces are equipped with exhaust fans which will be actively processing air flow 2 hours prior to the start of school and until the building is closed for the evening. Classes will be encouraged to work outside as much as possible whenever weather allows.

3 Screening, Exclusion, and Response to Symptomatic Students and Staff

3.1 Parental Screening for Students

Plan: Families/Students will be responsible for self screening prior to their arrival at school. screening themselves/their children prior to school using the R-School screening tool as used last year (Appendix A). Staff will be required to self screen each morning prior to their arrival to work. utilize the same screening tool prior to entering the building each morning. Visitors will utilize a paper and pencil screening tool upon entering the building as directed by the office staff. At this time there is no plan to screen student's temperatures prior to entering the building.

3.2 Response to Symptomatic Students and Staff

Plan: When students or staff show or have symptoms according to the NJ DOH provided screening tool, the nurse will assess the student and follow the Department of Health guidelines. The school will maintain two areas for emergent quarantining prior to the student/staff/visitor leaving the building. This area will be monitored by the school nurse and the school administration.

3.3 Exclusion

Plan: Students or staff should not come to school if they have:

1. at least **two** of the following symptoms: fever (measure or subjective), chills, rigors (shivers), myalgia (muscle aches), headache, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion, or runny nose **or**
2. at least **one** of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new olfactory disorder, or new taste disorder.

*For students with chronic illness, only new symptoms or symptoms worse than baseline should be used to fulfill symptom-based exclusion criteria.

***Regardless of vaccination status, if a student or staff experiences COVID-compatible symptoms, they should isolate themselves from others, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, and tested for SARS-CoV-2.**

Plan: If illness occurs in school the following steps will be taken:

1. School nurse will inquire about potential exposure.
2. School nurse and administration will follow the updated DOH guidelines for quarantining.

Plan: If students are required to quarantine, the district will provide a virtual option that is commensurate with in-person instruction.

- Accommodations will be made for the student(s) to be able to receive a mixture of live streamed instruction and independent assignments. Special area classes will be independent assignments during this time. There may be a 24 hour to 72 hour transitional period before educational services are provided.

Plan: Exposed close contacts who are **fully vaccinated** and have no COVID-like symptoms

- Do not need to quarantine, be excluded from school, or be tested following an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Should still monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days following an exposure.
- If they experience symptoms, they should isolate themselves from others, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, including SARS-CoV-2 testing and inform their health care provider of their vaccination status at the time of presentation to care.

4 Contact Tracing

Plan: The school district will work closely with the Department of Health to contact trace close contacts. A close contact is defined as being within 6 feet of someone with suspected or known COVID-19 for 15 or more minutes during a 24-hour period (even if masked).

5. Testing

Plan: All COVID-19 testing for presumptive cases will be performed off-site by the individual's choice of health care provider.

6. Travel

New Jersey Residents Travel Link:

<https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/travel-and-transportation/are-there-travel-restrictions-to-or-from-new-jersey>

CDC - Fully vaccinated travelers are less likely to get and spread SARS-CoV-2 and can now travel at low risk to themselves within the United States. International travelers need to pay close attention to the

[situation at their international destinations](#) before traveling due to the spread of new variants and because the burden of COVID-19 varies globally.

[Wearing a mask over your nose and mouth is required](#) on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within, or out of the United States and while indoors at U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations. Travelers are not required to wear a mask in outdoor areas of a conveyance (like on open deck areas of a ferry or the uncovered top deck of a bus).

FULLY VACCINATED Domestic travel (within the United States or to a U.S. territory)

- Fully vaccinated travelers do not need to get a SARS-CoV-2 viral test before or after domestic travel, unless testing is required by local, state, or territorial health authorities.
- Fully vaccinated travelers do not need to self-quarantine following domestic travel.
- For more information, see [Domestic Travel During COVID-19](#).

For UNVACCINATED individuals - After you travel:

- Get tested with a [viral test](#) 3-5 days after travel AND stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.
- Even if you test negative, stay home and self-quarantine for the full 7 days.
- If your test is positive, [isolate](#) yourself to protect others from getting infected.
- If you don't get tested, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.
- Avoid being around people who are at [increased risk for severe illness](#) for 14 days, whether you get tested or not.
- Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.
- Follow all [state and local](#) recommendations or requirements.

International Travel:

- Fully vaccinated travelers do not need to get tested before leaving the United States unless required by their destination.
- Fully vaccinated air travelers coming to the United States from abroad, including U.S. citizens, are still [required](#) to have a negative SARS-CoV-2 viral test result or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before they board a flight to the United States.
- International travelers arriving in the United States are still recommended to get a SARS-CoV-2 viral test 3-5 days after travel regardless of vaccination status.
- Fully vaccinated travelers do not need to self-quarantine in the United States following international travel.
- For more information, see [International Travel During COVID-19](#).

For UNVACCINATED individuals: Before you arrive in the United States:

All air passengers coming to the United States, including U.S. citizens and fully vaccinated people, [are required](#) to have a negative COVID-19 viral test result no more than 3 days before travel or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in the past 3 months before they board a flight to the United States.

After you travel:

- Get tested with a [viral test](#) 3-5 days after travel AND stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.

- Even if you test negative, stay home and self-quarantine for the full 7 days.
- If your test is positive, [isolate](#) yourself to protect others from getting infected.
- If you don't get tested, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.
- Avoid being around people who are at [increased risk for severe illness](#) for 14 days, whether you get tested or not.
- Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.
- Follow all [state and local](#) recommendations or requirements.

APPENDIX A

New Jersey Department of Health COVID-19 Daily Screening for Students/Staff

Parents/Guardians: Please complete this short check each morning before sending your child to school. **You do not have to physically fill out the form.**

Section 1: Symptoms

Any of the symptoms below could indicate a COVID-19 infection in children and may put your child at risk for spreading illness to others. Please note that this list does not include all possible symptoms and children with COVID-19 may experience any, all, or none of these symptoms. Please check your child daily for these symptoms:

Column A

	Fever (measured or subjective)
	Chills
	Rigors (shivers)
	Myalgia (Muscle Aches)
	Headache
	Sore Throat
	Nausea or Vomiting
	Diarrhea
	Fatigue
	Congestion or runny nose

Column B

	Cough
	Shortness of Breath
	Difficulty Breathing
	New loss of smell
	New loss of taste

If **TWO OR MORE** of the fields in Column A are checked off **OR AT LEAST ONE** field in column B is checked off, please keep your child home and notify the school for further instructions.

Section 2: Close Contact/Potential Exposure

Please verify if:

	Your child has had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for 15 cumulative minutes over 24 hours) with a person with confirmed COVID-19
	Someone in your household is diagnosed with COVID-19
	Your child has traveled to an area of high community transmission

If ANY of the fields in Section 2 are checked off, your child should remain home for 14 days from the last date of exposure (if your child is a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case) or date of return to New Jersey. *this form is taken directly from the New Jersey Department of Health.



LEA Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Pursuant to the Federal American Rescue Plan Act, Section 2001(i)

Introduction and Background

As announced in the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE)'s [April 28, 2021 broadcast](#), in March 2021 President Biden signed the Federal [American Rescue Plan \(ARP\) Act](#), Public Law 117-2, into law. The ARP Act provides an additional \$122 billion in Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) to States and school districts to help safely reopen, sustain the safe operation of schools, and address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the nation's students. As with the previous ESSER funds available under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, and the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), the purpose of the additional funding is to support local educational agencies (LEAs) in preparing for and responding to the impacts of COVID-19 on educators, students, and families. Additional information on ARP ESSER may be found in the NJDOE's [funding comparison fact sheet](#).

Section 2001(i)(1) of the ARP Act requires each LEA that receives ARP ESSER funds to develop and make publicly available on the LEA's website, no later than 30 days after receiving ARP ESSER funds, a plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services for all schools (Safe Return Plan). A Safe Return Plan is required of all fund recipients, including those that have already returned to in-person instruction. Section 2001(i)(2) of the ARP Act further requires that the LEA seek public comment on the Safe Return Plan and take those comments into account in finalization of the Safe Return Plan. Under the interim final requirements published in [Volume 86, No. 76 of the Federal Register](#) by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE), an LEA must periodically, but no less frequently than every six months through September 30, 2023, review and, as appropriate, revise its Safe Return Plan.

Pursuant to those requirements, **LEAs must submit to the NJDOE and post on their website their Safe Return Plans by June 24, 2021.** The NJDOE intends to make LEA ARP ESSER Fund applications available in EWEG on May 24, 2021 and LEAs will submit their Safe Return Plans to the NJDOE via EWEG. To assist LEAs with the development of their Safe Return Plans, the NJDOE is providing the following template.

This template incorporates the federally-required components of the Safe Return Plan. The questions in the template below will be included in the LEA ARP ESSER Fund application in EWEG. LEAs will submit responses to the questions within the LEA ARP ESSER Fund application in EWEG by June 24, 2021. The NJDOE hopes that this template will allow LEAs to effectively plan for that submission and to easily post the information to their websites as required by the ARP Act.

Note that on May 17, 2021, Governor Murphy [announced](#) that upon the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year, portions of Executive Order 175 allowing remote learning will be rescinded, meaning that schools will be required to provide full-day, in-person instruction, as they were prior to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. The NJDOE and New Jersey Department of Health will share additional information regarding State requirements or guidance for health and safety protocols for the 2021-2022 school year as it becomes available.

Template: LEA Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services

LEA Name:

Date (mm/dd/yyyy): 06/02/2021

Date Revised (12/16/2021):

1. Maintaining Health and Safety

For each mitigation strategy listed below (A–H), please describe 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 CDC.

A. Universal and correct wearing of masks:

As per Governor Murphy in his Monday February 7, 2022 COVID-19 Update news conference, Executive Order 251 (Face Covering Mandate) will expire on March 7, 2022 for New Jersey Schools. As a result, Kittatinny Regional School District has been discussing the impact on our COVID-19 safety protocols with our Board of Education and the school's Safe Re-opening Committee and the Administration.

As a result of these thorough discussions, Kittatinny will be implementing new safety protocols to include changing the requirement of face coverings (masks) at all times inside to a **MASK OPTIONAL** protocol for all students, staff and visitors to the KRHS building. In addition to this change, Governor Murphy has indicated that schools are recommended to develop contingency plans in case of high transmission or local outbreaks in the local school community.

Currently, face coverings (masks) are required for school buses in New Jersey at all times. This requirement is a Federal requirement and is not lifted when the Executive Orders of New Jersey are lifted. This situation may create some confusion as to when and where masks must be worn for our students.

~~Kittatinny Regional School District will follow the New Jersey State mandates as it applies to wearing of face coverings and all E.O.'s from the State of New Jersey. As of December 16, 2021, all students, faculty members, and visitors must wear a face covering when entering the building regardless of vaccination status. As students/staff enter the building, as well as throughout the day, a constant check to ensure they are correctly wearing their face coverings will be conducted by staff members. Face coverings will be required at all times except when members of the school community are eating, drinking, exercising or have a documented medical exception to the face covering requirements. These expectations will be adjusted and modified based upon the State of New Jersey and the New Jersey Department of Health requirements/recommendations regarding face coverings.~~

B. Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding):

Kittatinny Regional School District will continue to follow the New Jersey state and New Jersey Department of Health guidance for physical distancing. As of December 16, 2021, a minimum of three (3) feet of physical distancing between students should be maintained in classrooms with additional safety precautions in place. Classroom areas are arranged so that three (3) feet of physical distancing between students and staff members can be maintained and all students are able to attend in-person instruction full-day, 5 days a week.

C. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:

As per the New Jersey Department of Health, Kittatinny Regional High School will reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and increase signage and may monitor students and staff to ensure proper handwashing practices are occurring. If soap and water are not readily available, hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol will be used (for staff and older children who can safely use hand sanitizer). Kittatinny Regional High School will continue to encourage students and staff to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue if not wearing a face covering. Used tissues will be thrown in the trash and hand hygiene as outlined above should be performed immediately. Kittatinny Regional High School will have adequate supplies including soap, hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol (for staff and older children who can safely use hand sanitizer), paper towels, tissues, and no-touch trash cans. Hand hygiene will take place: upon arrival at school; before and after meals and snacks; after going to the bathroom; before leaving for the day; after blowing nose, sneezing, or coughing into tissue; and when hands are visibly soiled. Kittatinny Regional High School faculty will assist/observe young children or children needing assistance to ensure proper handwashing.

D. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation:

Kittatinny Regional School District completes weekly inspections of all “unit ventilators” and “exhaust fans” facility wide and in individual classrooms to ensure that they are working properly in addition to cleaning the units. All classrooms

have operational windows for fresh air as well as operational exhaust fans in hallways and large gathering areas. All school areas are cleaned and disinfected during the school day and nightly with the EPA certified COVID-19 cleaning products such as, but not limited to, Brutab 6S Disinfectant & Sanitizer and Bioesque. Throughout the day, high touch surfaces are regularly cleaned and disinfected. Classrooms will be provided with sanitizing sprays and wipes as an ongoing cleaning practices between classes and during times when the classroom is not being occupied.

E. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments:

KITTATINNY REGIONAL S.D. WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UPDATED NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH K-12 COVID-19 RECOMMENDED PROTOCOLS REGARDING ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE SO LONG AS THE GUIDANCE IS CONGRUENT TO THE LIFTING OF THE MASK MANDATE AS PER THE GOVERNOR OF NEW JERSEY ON MARCH 7, 2022.

Kittatinny Regional School District has complied and followed the New Jersey Department of Health K-12 Guidance document in regards to quarantine and isolation. Contact tracing is completed by the school in collaboration with the New Jersey Department of Health. This practice will continue into the 2021-2022 school year and will be adjusted and modified as per the changes and updates to the NJ DOH K-12 School Guidance Document and the Executive Orders of New Jersey.

F. Diagnostic and screening testing:

Kittatinny Regional High School recommends students/families to complete a daily screening tool prior to their arrival and entering school using the screening R School screening tool provided by the school district and based upon the New Jersey Department of Health recommended screening form. Visitors are required to fill out a screening form upon entering the school building that is recorded and kept on file for any contract tracing events. Kittatinny Regional High

School Faculty will self-screen prior to entering the building and may use the R School screening tool provided by the school district and based upon the New Jersey Department of Health recommended screening form. If students or staff have COVID-19 like symptoms as per the screening tool, they should not report to the building or will be sent home immediately. STAFF AND STUDENTS EXPERIENCING COVID-19 COMPATIBLE SYMPTOMS **SHOULD NOT REPORT TO SCHOOL!** They will follow Department of Health guidelines in reference to the next steps prior to reentering the building for school or work. At least quarterly, staff, families and students will be reminded via an email announcement of the expected screening procedures for attendance on a daily basis at Kittatinny Regional High School. The students, families and staff will continue to be reminded of the importance of self screening and staying home when COVID-19 like symptoms are present each day. School community members who present with symptoms should self test or request a test from the school.

G. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible:

Kittatinny Regional School District has and will continue to assist the New Jersey Department of Health in their efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students by sending any information to families and faculty and collecting pertinent data for the scheduling of requested vaccinations of our school community. If requested, the KRSD Board of Education will discuss publicly the options to assist in providing a facility for local vaccinations by authorized medical providers. There will be no assistance in providing any additional medical services regarding the COVID-19 pandemic during the regular school day. All state of NJ mandates will be followed as per the law.

H. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies:

Kittatinny Regional School District will provide appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities as needed. The Child Study Team, in conjunction with administration and teachers, will develop these accommodations based on testing

results and/or a medical diagnosis from a doctor. I.D.E.A. students will be prioritized in any limited return to a hybrid schedule with recommendations allowing I.E.P driven students accommodations for increased in-person learning experiences and platforms.

2. Ensuring Continuity of Services

A. Describe how the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students' and staff's social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services. (1000 character limit)

Pending changes on NJDOH guidelines, Kittatinny Regional School District is planning to have students attending 5 days a week, in-person from 7:30 am until 2:15 pm each day starting in September 2021. Students who demonstrate a gap in academic areas based on district assessments will have tiered interventions in place through our Response to Intervention (RTI) process, after school tutoring sessions, reading, writing and math workshops, and additional services in mentoring and Social Emotional Learning and Health models in place allowing easy access for any and all students who are in need of these services and academic acceleration. Qualifying students will also have the ability to attend specialized "extended school year programs and academic enrichment programs starting at the end of June and into the summer months of July and August, 2022. During these programs students will receive academic attention to the identified student needs and targeted remediation / acceleration through a variety of research based programs. Kittatinny Regional School District will continue to provide students with lunch free of charge through the USDA approved programs. Kittatinny Regional School District will provide students with services to support the social emotional needs including, but not limited to, school counseling services, social emotional learning curriculum, and mindfulness activities along with a number of online SEL social emotional health programming throughout the 2021-2022 school year. Kittatinny will continue to partner with SolaceCare (online services) and The Center for Prevention and Project Self Sufficiency (local community resources) to provide a diverse variety of SEL and mental health services inclusive of counseling services to families. Kittatinny will explore the possibility of utilizing a service animal as an alternative SEL resource for students in need. These services will be offered to all families and employees of Kittatinny Regional School District increasing the ability and access to participate in health and wellness activities throughout the school year that focus on mental and physical health.

3. Public Comment

A. Describe how the LEA sought public comment on its plan, and how it took those public comment into account in the development of its plan. Note, the ARP requires that LEAs seek public comment for each 60-day revision to the plan. (1000 character limit)

Kittatinny Regional School District will have the public comment on the Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service during the June 10, June 17,, December 16, February 10, February 17, 2022 public meetings of the Board of Education, along with a COVID-19 Update Letter February 18, 2022. In addition the Board and Superintendent have received comments at numerous public meetings from September 2021 through December 2021 and through the communications systems employed by KRSD.

B. Describe how the LEA ensured that the plan is in an understandable and uniform format; is to the extent practicable written in a language that parents can understand or, if not practicable to provide written translations to a parent with limited English proficiency, will be orally translated for such a parent; and upon request by a parent who is an individual with a disability as defined by the ADA, will be provided in an alternative format accessible to that parent. (1000 character limit)

Kittatinny Regional School District has the ability to translate the document into languages other than English upon request. In addition, the plan can be orally translated upon request by reaching out directly to the school. Kittatinny Regional School District will make modifications and adjustments to Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service to meet the needs of our school community and according to all required mandates by authorized agencies to ensure their full understanding of the Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan.