



Brielle Elementary School

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

Name: Brielle Elementary School

Date Revised (12/13/2023):

1. Maintaining Health and Safety

A. Universal and correct wearing of masks -

- The use of masks will be in accordance with the orders provided by the state of New Jersey. As of March 9, 2022, masks are not required by Executive Order and are currently optional for healthy individuals.
- If worn, covering should cover the nose and mouth completely, should not be overly tight or restrictive, and should feel comfortable to wear.

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

- The District will continue to follow safety guidelines provided by the Department of Education, Health Department and CDC.
- Students and staff are in school five days a week. Social distancing is no longer required.

C. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette

- Students will be required to wash hands frequently throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom.
- We will ensure the availability of appropriate supplies to support healthy hygiene behaviors (e.g., soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels, disinfectant wipes, tissues, etc.) and strategically place supplies in areas where they may be frequently used.
- Staff will reinforce handwashing during key times including but not limited to: arrival and dismissal; before, during, and after preparing or eating food; after using the bathroom; after blowing one's nose, coughing, or sneezing.

D. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation

- The buildings HVAC systems will use MERV-11 filters.
- All cleaning will be conducted in accordance with the CDC's guidelines.
- Hard surfaces and touch points will be disinfected throughout the day.

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

- The District will follow safety guidelines provided by the Department of Education, Health Department and CDC.
- Persons who test positive for COVID-19 will stay home for 5 days from the first day symptoms presented.
- If a group of students (ex. Class, grade, team, etc.) meet the criteria for “outbreak”, notification will be made to these individuals. The School Nurse and Administration will notify staff and students of the protocol.

F. Diagnostic and screening testing

- At the beginning of the school year students and staff will receive a list of COVID-19 symptoms.
- If a student or staff member showing signs or symptoms of COVID-19, they should stay home. It is important to stay home if you are sick

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

- The District will continue to work with outside health agencies to provide information to the school community about vaccination clinics in the area. Necessary information will be communicated to school community via email.

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

- Provide appropriate instruction with provisional safeguards using CDC guidance, NJDOE, New Jersey Department of Health, and the student’s IEP.

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)

The District will provide a full day of in person learning for all students. Students will continue to be provided with a 1:1 computer and will be able to take their devices home daily in order to complete school work.

District will continue to employ interventionists to address learning loss with students to provide opportunities to target individualized instruction for all students. The Administration and interventionists will analyze assessments of students and work with teachers to target areas of weakness and structure interventions to improve student learning.

The District will continue to explore outside agencies that would be able to address some social and emotional needs of our students and staff. Guidance Counselors will conduct SEL lessons in grades K-8 and provide group and individual counseling following a multi-tiered system of support.

Our food service provider will continue to provide lunches to all students that order lunch.

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)

The Safe Reopening Plan will be approved by the Board of Education at a public meeting which is held in person and live streamed. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the plan.

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)

The district will provide a translated version of this document into Spanish. A district staff member will be available to answer any question and/or explain all components of the plan to our Spanish speaking parents.