# Morgan County R-1 School District Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (SRCSP)

A requirement of the American Rescue Plan



The guidelines and protocols outlined in this document are subject to revision as needed to reflect local, state, and federal guidance.

Guidelines and protocols may also be revised as appropriate to reflect the needs of local conditions.

## **Mitigating Strategy Policies**

The Morgan County R-1 School District was able to conduct in-person instruction during the 2020-2021 school year, largely due to the mitigating strategies set forth in the board approved Re-opening plan titled re-opening game plan- 2020-2021. Many of the protocols we had in the 2020-21 school year will continue in the 2021-2022 school year: Those being:

- Mask wearing for staff and students is optional.
- Physical distancing and use of cohorts will be incorporated into classes, to the extent possible.
- Handwashing and respiratory etiquette will be taught and/or reinforced.
- Daily sanitizing and disinfecting will be a priority at all district facilities.
- Students and staff will bring water bottles, as water fountains have been converted to bottle fill stations.
- The school will assist with contact tracing in collaboration with the local health department.
- Parents will be asked to appropriately screen their child to assess wellness before sending their child to school.
- Vaccination clinics were offered to staff members in the 2020-2021 school year.
  Additional vaccination clinics could be offered in the 2021-2022 school year if there is a need.
- Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies will be determined, as needed.

## **Continuity of Services**

If students are required to quarantine or isolate, instruction will be provided to students via electronic methods, paper-pencil packets, or a combination of both. Teachers will provide students with information on office hours for student instruction and feedback opportunities via phone, email, text message, Parent Square, Google classroom, etc. in order to ensure learning is not interrupted. Teachers have received training, and will continue to receive training regarding how we can meet the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students and staff during any interruptions of in-person instruction, as well as during the regular school year.

The district has established WIFI hot spot at the following locations: Morgan County R-1 Campus; Stover Rural Fire Stations on Hwy N and T, Gravois Fire Station on Hwy J, Ivy Bend Teen center and an additional location in Florence.

### **Periodic Revision**

This SRCSP has been developed using information from the previously developed reentry plan for the 2020-2021 school year. It also includes information from the planning for continuity of services, particularly academic services, in the context of Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) and Alternative Methods of Instruction-Extended (AMI-X) planning. The plan includes many mitigating and prevention strategies that were previously board approved at a public board meeting.

The SRCSP will be reviewed and/or revised, if necessary, at least every six months. The review and revision process will include consultation with stakeholders, including:

- Students
- Families
- School and district administrators, including special education administrators
- Teachers and other school staff
- Stakeholders to the extent present in or served by the LEA in civil rights organizations (including disability rights organizations), or stakeholders representing the interests of children with disabilities, English learners, children experiencing homelessness, children and youth in foster care, migratory students, children who are incarcerated, and other underserved students.

#### **MOCAP** and Virtual Instruction

The Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program (MOCAP) has developed a catalog of virtual online courses for students. Students will be able to take an entire course from any Internet-connected computer, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Additional information can be found at https://mocap.mo.gov/

COOP online is our preferred program, as it utilizes the MOCAP approved Edmentum Courseware and Calvert learning materials. Coop online is a virtual or reproducible instruction program that is ran by Morgan County R-1 School district through a partnership with West Central Co-op. In these virtual education options, Missouri Learning Standards are oversaw by our staff. During the 2020-21 school year we had over an 80% success rate with this online learning program.

To begin the process for virtual instruction:

- Complete the "VIRTUAL COURSES: Request to Enroll in Virtual Courses" form located on our school website here www.MCR1.us
- You can find the form by clicking on the "Virtual courses enrollment link."
- If you need assistance, please contact your student's principal and/or counselor. A conference will be requested in order to ensure your student is enrolled in the appropriate courses. This can be done in-person, or via phone conference, or via zoom conference.

It is important to note that virtual education enrollment is for the entire semester. Withdrawing before the semester is complete and returning to on-site education is not an option.

Enrollment deadlines for each semester are as follows:

Semester 1: August 1- August 17, 2021 Semester 2: August 18- December 1, 2021

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