



Struthers City School District

Continuity of Services

The Struthers City Schools offered in-person learning five days a week for the 2020-2021 school year. Additionally, there was a remote learning option for parents that chose not to send their son/daughter. These decisions were made with input from our parent and staff surveys, discussion with county stakeholders and guidance from the State. Struthers City Schools will offer in-person learning as well as a blended learning option during the 2021-2022 school year.

Universal and Correct Wearing of Masks

The Struthers City Schools will follow all recommendations from the CDC, Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Department of Health regarding masks. Signage will be posted on the correct wearing of masks. The Superintendent reserves the right to require masks for all students and staff in the event of increased cases within the Struthers City Schools.

Physical Distancing

The Struthers City Schools will follow all recommendations from the CDC, Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Department of Health regarding physical distancing. K-6 classrooms will remain self-contained and signage will be posted throughout the building.

Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette

At Struthers Elementary School sinks are available for handwashing in all classrooms. In all buildings handwashing will be enforced throughout the day. Signage will be posted within each building on handwashing and respiratory etiquette. Additionally, the district has purchased 40 hand sanitizer stations that are placed in high traffic areas.

Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities/Improving Ventilation

The district hired additional cleaning staff to work during the school day to clean high touch surfaces. The district routinely uses electrostatic sprayers for sanitizing high traffic areas. The district tripled the amount of outside air being circulated throughout each building.

Contact Tracing/Isolation/Quarantine

The Struthers City Schools will follow all recommendations from the CDC, Ohio Department of Health and Mahoning County Department of Health regarding contact tracing and isolation. We will use the same procedures that we used during the 2020-2021 school year.

Diagnostic and Screening Testing

The district will consult with our school nurses to determine how to proceed with suspected cases based on symptoms and professional assessment.

Vaccinations

The Struthers City Schools collaborated with the ESC of Eastern Ohio and the Mahoning County Department of Health to provide a staff vaccination clinic in March 2021. In May 2021, we offered a vaccination clinic to students ages 16 and above and are currently planning a clinic for students 12 and above.

Accommodations for Children with Disabilities

The Struthers City Schools will offer blended learning for students with medical conditions that prevent them from attending in person. Additionally, we will provide PPE when necessary to ensure safety for in-person learners with disabilities.



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Ensuring Continuity of Services

During the Summer of 2021, Struthers Elementary School will offer Success By Six for incoming kindergarten students. Additionally, summer intervention will be offered for students that have been identified as the most at-risk and vulnerable. Struthers Middle School will offer summer intervention for the students most at-risk. Struthers High School will offer credit recovery. Meals will be provided to all students who participate in summer intervention as well as to all students through the summer feeding program.

During the 2021-2022 school year, Struthers Elementary School will continue to provide RTI instruction in both reading and math to at-risk students during the school day and provide after school support through the partnership with the United Way (Success After Six). Struthers Middle School will provide RTI instruction during the school day in literacy and after-school intervention in all academic subject areas. Struthers High School will provide a credit recovery program that will be offered during the school day. The guidance counselors will review graduation and student at-risk plans. In conjunction with the ESC, a career counselor and out high school teachers, seniors will work towards credentialing for graduation.

For several years the district has been a part of the Early Warning System with the Mahoning County Juvenile Justice System and Judge Dellick. We have a universal screener and referral system in place. The EWS team meets bi-monthly to discuss student academics, discipline and attendance. Our diversion officer plays a vital role in identifying the social and emotional needs of our students. Last school year Struthers City Schools hired a Success and Wellness Counselor that is responsible for all student and staff social and emotional needs. Through the OIP process, all student data is reviewed and analyzed. All three schools have implemented or are in the process of implementing PBIS. The district monitors student emails and searches with Securly and has multiple help hotlines through TEC and the state. Additionally, we have a partnership with Psy Care. The elementary staff has implemented the PATHS program and has been trained in PAX. The district has a partnership with the Mahoning County Educational Service Center and their prevention coordinator and family and community liaison to assist with programming in social and emotional needs. During the 2021-2022 school year, Struthers Elementary School will implement PAX with the students while Struthers Middle and High School will be implementing Botvin.

Review/Revision of Plan

Using the OIP process, the District Leadership Team will meet quarterly to discuss and review the continuity of services plan and revise as needed.

Public Input

The Struthers City Schools received parent and staff input using surveys to make decisions regarding educational needs during the pandemic. Parent and staff input will be collected through additional surveys throughout the process.

Summary of Use of ESSER Funds

Struthers City Schools will offer interventions and credit recovery opportunities throughout the school year as well as the summer months. Additionally, we will purchase remediation programs. We will hire additional staff to reduce class size and maintain continuity of services. We will also upgrade and replace our HVAC systems and transportation facility to improve ventilation and air quality. Struthers City Schools will contract with several community based mental health service providers. The district will upgrade technology and online learning platforms in the event that remote learning is necessary.