



# Seneca Highlands Career and Technical Center

## ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan

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The ARP Act and U.S. Department of Education rules require Health and Safety plans include the following components:

1. How the LEA will, to the greatest extent practicable, implement prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the reopening and operation of school facilities in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning;
2. How the LEA will ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services;
3. 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 policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

### **Health and Safety Plan Summary: Seneca Highlands Career and Technical Center**

**Initial Effective Date: July 26, 2021**

**Date of Last Review: February 13, 2023**

**Date of Last Revision: February 13, 2023**

1. How will the LEA, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning?

The CTC will continually monitor this plan to include federal and state mandates and consider significant new guidance. The plan will be reviewed and revised as necessary.

The revisions will be recommended to the Board for approval and changes will be communicated to students, families, staff, and the community.

All CTC activities and decisions will be informed by the PA DOH, PDE, and our partner districts & agencies. Depending upon the public health conditions in any county within the Commonwealth, there could be additional actions, orders, or guidance provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) and/or the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH). The CTC will practice and support prevention and mitigation efforts in response to the changing conditions.

The CTC is prepared to practice prevention and mitigation strategies along a continuum of most to least restrictive strategies in response to the changing conditions of the Pandemic.

2. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services?

Should circumstances with the pandemic or other emergencies necessitate the closure of the district for in-person instruction, The CTC will offer real-time, live streamed classes for all students in grades 10-12. However, SHCTC will make every effort to ensure in-person instruction, which is critical for career and tech student learning, remains in place.

GEERS II funding will provide contracted mental health services to meet the challenges of students in crisis, and students in need of identified services.

3. Use the table below to explain 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 policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
a. Universal and correct wearing of <u>masks</u> ;	<p>Face coverings will be permitted, but not required, to be worn in the CTC.</p> <p>All implementation strategies will adhere to the student's IEP or 504 Plan.</p>
b. Modifying facilities to allow for <u>physical distancing</u> (e.g., use of cohorts/podding);	<p>The CTC will promote practical and feasible physical distancing in the school buildings.</p> <p>The CTC will not deny educational opportunities or best instructional practices for students due to physical distancing.</p>

<p>c. <u>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette</u>;</p>	<p>The CTC will continue to promote handwashing and other common-sense health measures during the school year.</p> <p>Handwashing and respiratory etiquette signage will be posted in common areas.</p>
<p>d. <u>Cleaning</u> and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving <u>ventilation</u>;</p>	<p>The CTC made capital improvements during the spring and summer of 2021 which improved ventilation and filtering systems in the school.</p>
<p>e. <u>Contact tracing</u> in combination with <u>isolation</u> and <u>quarantine</u>, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;</p>	<p>Staff members who test positive for COVID-19 will not be permitted to return to work for five days. Day 0 is the first day of symptoms or a positive viral test. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test was collected.</p> <p>End isolation after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and your symptoms are improving.</p>
<p>f. <u>Diagnostic</u> and screening testing;</p>	<p>COVID testing are available at the IU9 Smethport office. Inquiries should be directed to the Assistant to the Executive Director.</p>
<p>g. Efforts to provide <u>vaccinations to school communities</u>;</p>	<p>Vaccinations are readily available at health care facilities and drug stores throughout the region.</p>
<p><b>ARP ESSER Requirement</b></p>	<p><b>Strategies, Policies, and Procedures</b></p>
<p>h. Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and</p>	<p>The CTC will provide reasonable accommodations, as appropriate, to students with disabilities with respect to health and safety strategies.</p>
<p>i. Coordination with state and local health officials.</p>	<p>CTC will consult with DOH as needed for guidance on responding to specific COVID situations.</p>

## Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement

The Board of Directors/Trustees for **Seneca Highlands IU9/CTC** reviewed and approved the Health and Safety Plan on **February 20, 2023**.

The plan was approved by a vote of:


8 Yes

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Affirmed on:

**February 20, 2023**

By:

  
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(Signature\* of Board President)

  
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(Print Name of Board President)

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