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Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan
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Onaway Area Community School District is committed to offering in-person instruction while safely mitigating the COVID-19 virus in our communities and learning environment.

All students, pre-K through 12 will receive in-person instruction as scheduled via the District calendar. Remote learning options were discontinued at the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year.

Our students are returning to school with a greater range of needs than ever before. Many require significant learning interventions to catch up. Others require therapies and supports to deal with a number of traumas, including abuse, lack of food and basic care, and exposure to prolonged stress. As we return to school, we are essentially triaging students and families to determine what supports are needed and how we can provide them. Staff require time to assess these needs and develop plans to provide services.

Onaway Schools will continue to partner with agencies in our local and extended community to address students' needs and ensure they are ready to learn. This plan highlights our efforts to maintain pupil engagement and provide high-quality instructional services, to promote high academic achievement for all learners.

Adjustments to this plan will be made as needed and/or recommended by health officials. Per grant requirements, this will be reviewed no less than every six months and may be reviewed more frequently due to circumstances.

Topic	Current Plan
Daily Cleaning of Work Areas; Ventilation	Continues as a preventative and sanitary practice for reduction of germs and contagion. Onaway Staff are responsible for daily cleaning of their individual work stations-additional hand sanitizer and cleaning material available upon request to supervisor. Proper handwashing encouraged of all.
Modification of Facilities	Modifications continue to follow best practices established by Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. Facility use will proceed as described in District policy. All services and offices, including transportation and food service, will continue as normally scheduled.
Handwashing & Respiratory Etiquette	Continue to encourage and enforce staff/students staying home when ill. Staff expected to report positive Covid status to supervisor. Parents encouraged to report case positivity to school administrators.
Masks	<p>Students: Students may continue to mask based on parent discretion, and in accordance with current DHHS guidelines.</p> <p>Visitors; Parents During a Home Visit: Visitors/parents may continue to mask based on personal discretion, and in accordance with current DHHS guidelines.</p> <p>Staff: Staff may continue to mask based on personal discretion, and in accordance with current DHHS guidelines. <i>Disposable masks available to staff, students and visitors upon request.</i></p>
Testing	The district will continue to make available information regarding testing locations.
Vaccination	Continue to make info available. Neither required nor tracked by Onaway School. Not required for students or staff by any mandate.
Contact Tracing, Isolation and Quarantining	Not under the direction of Onaway School, OACSD will follow guidance provided by DHHS or their provider as occurs with any other contagious illness under their guidelines. Onaway Schools continues to report case positivity to DHD as required. No covid days.
Coordination with State & Local Health Officials	Liaison from DHHD #4 COP-ESD updates