

La Gloria ISD

Safe Return to In Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan

2021 - 2022

Welcome Back EAGLES!

Despite the challenges with COVID-19, our district will continue to provide an excellent educational experience for our students. After experiencing a very challenging year of remote learning/instruction, we welcome back our La Gloria families and staff for a new school year. The situation with COVID-19 is continuously changing, as are protocols and measures needed to keep students and staff safe. Plans will remain flexible to accommodate potential changes and these guidelines may be modified as needed. As adjustments may be necessary throughout the coming school year, it will be our priority to keep LGS families informed of those changes and updates.

Remote Instruction will be not utilized, unless mandated by the Texas Education Agency. Standard student/staff absence procedures are in place. According to current established procedures, school staff will work with students who are absent to assure interrupted learning is recovered and provide appropriate, ample time for completion. LGS families are encouraged to maintain open and ongoing communication to assure any missed instruction is addressed.

This plan was developed in consultation with and based on stakeholder input via electronic survey and public board meeting. Participants in this planning process include, but are not limited to, school personnel, parents, students, community members, and other individuals with

interests in students of special populations (special education, EL, etc).

- La Gloria ISD has developed a plan to address public health and safety.
- La Gloria will provide counseling to address social emotional needs.
- La Gloria ISD has developed a plan to address closing the learning gaps created by school closures.

Feedback & Input

Feedback is critical for any effective planning. LGISD conducted an electronic survey via Google Forms by LGISD parents, community members, district level staff members and a category listed as “other” (which included possible students and/or not limited to family members of students.) The survey gathered input from stakeholders to better assist LGISD on how to utilize funding.

The following processes were used to determine the needs of LGISD caused by the pandemic that would not be reimbursed by other funding sources.

- LGISD conducted surveys to district/campus-level staff.
- LGISD conducted surveys to parents.
- LGISD conducted surveys to community members.
- LGISD sent direct communication to staff, parents, and/or community members to gather input.
- LGISD reviewed and analyzed data from local and state health authorities.
- LGISD identified needs as issues arose that were out of the ordinary.
- LGISD reviewed documented comprehensive needs assessment considering the pandemic to determine needs.
- LGISD consulted with local school board to determine needs

LGISD has fewer than 100 total enrollment.

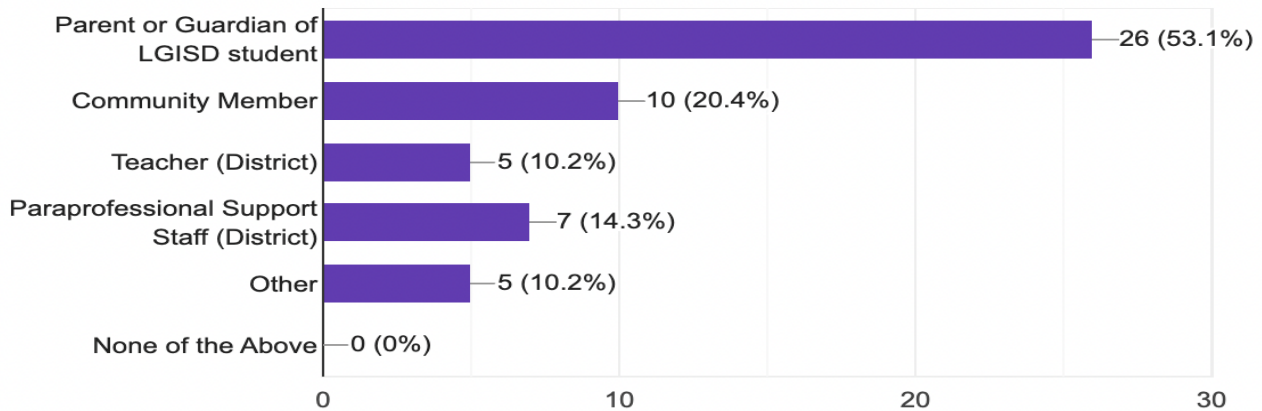
I am answering this survey as a (select all that apply):

- Parent or Guardian of LGISD student
- Community Member
- Teacher (District)
- Paraprofessional Support Staff (District)
- Other
- None of the Above

La Gloria ISD Survey Results

I am answering this survey as a (select all that apply):

49 responses



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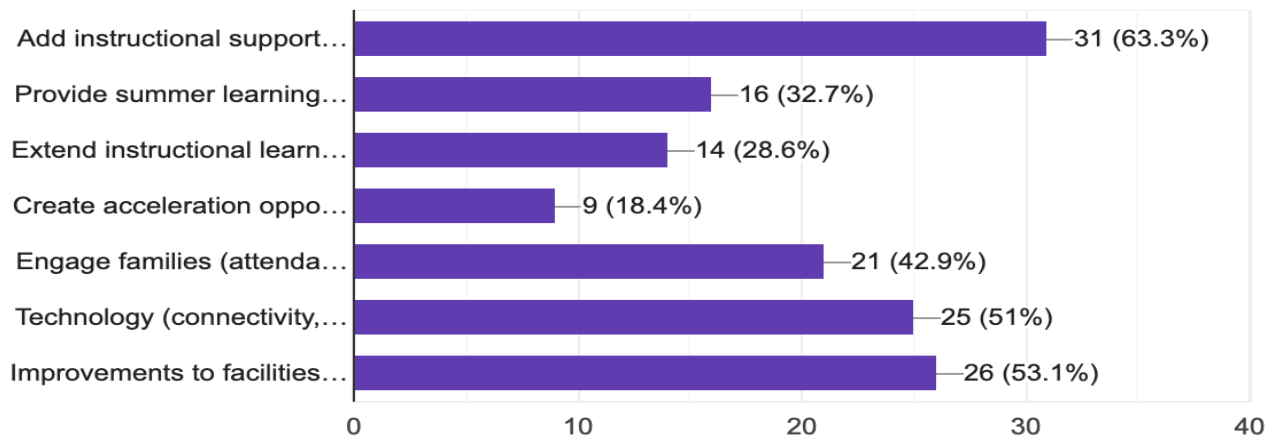
What do you believe are the highest priority needs for LGISD to address learning recovery and the impact of COVID-19? (Please select up to THREE items you consider as top priorities.) *

- Add instructional support staff for intervention, tutoring, or Special Education
- Provide summer learning opportunities
- Extend instructional learning time by providing tutoring or providing extra instructional days
- Create acceleration opportunities during holiday breaks, summer, or other times
- Engage families (attendance, support, classes, resources, etc)
- Technology (connectivity, hardware, software)
- Improvements to facilities to improve safety, such as heating/cooling system and water fountain upgrades...

La Gloria ISD Survey Results

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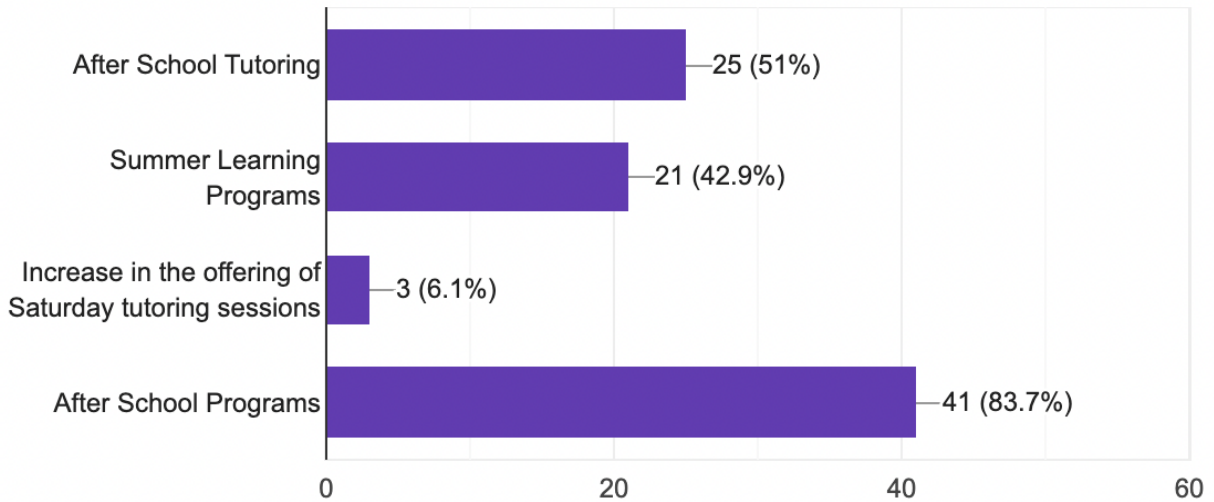
Beyond the traditional school day, which types of programs do you believe LGISD should consider to accelerate student learning? (Please select TWO items)

- After School Tutoring
- Summer Learning Programs
- Increase in the offering of Saturday tutoring sessions
- After School Programs

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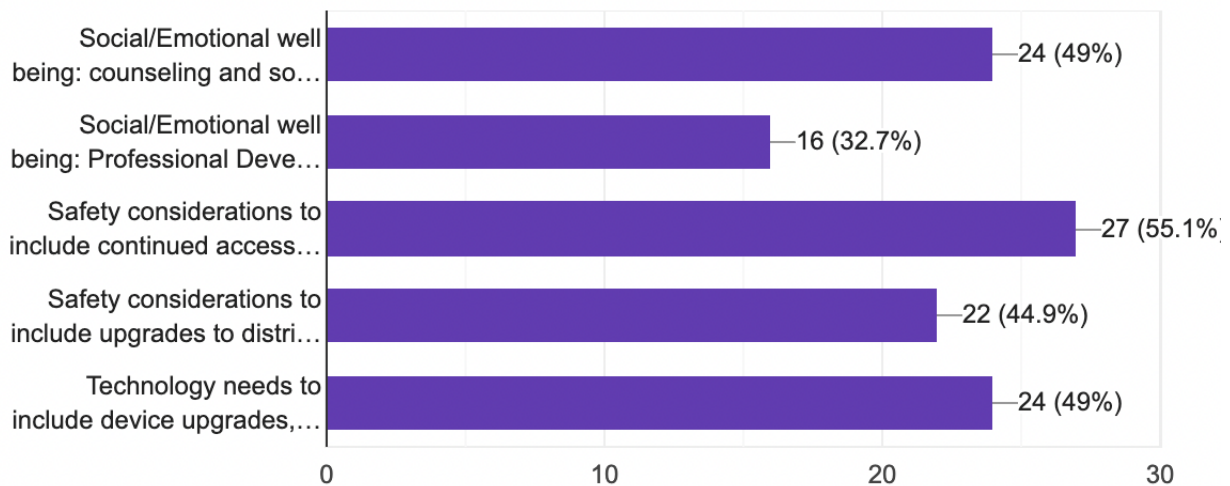
In addition to addressing academic learning loss, which items below do you believe will best address our students' needs as they return to in-person instruction? (Please select TWO items) *

- Social/Emotional well being: counseling and social work activities for students
- Social/Emotional well being: Professional Development for faculty and staff
- Safety considerations to include continued access to personal protective equipment and other daily safety...
- Safety considerations to include upgrades to district facilities
- Technology needs to include device upgrades, software programs, and hotspot access

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MASKS:

Encouraged but optional. Per GA-38, school systems cannot require students or staff to wear a mask. School systems must allow individuals wear a mask if they choose to do so.

HANDWASHING/HAND SANITIZING:

Practice thorough handwashing and remind students to wash their hands as often as possible. Hand sanitizer dispensers are installed in each classroom/room throughout the school. Students are reminded to sanitize while entering and exiting classrooms.

TRANSPORTATION:

LGISD will provide transportation to students following the normal routes to school. Students will be seated following social distance protocols. Bus staff will use gloves and PPE. When possible, members of the same household will be assigned to the same seat. Buses will be cleaned and disinfected at the end of each day. The opening of roof vents and windows will be utilized as weather permits.

CAFETERIA/FOOD:

School cafeteria will be closed for breakfast and lunch until further notice. Students will have breakfast and lunch taken to their classrooms.

SCHOOL VISITS/VISITORS:

La Gloria Elementary campus is closed to all visitors. Visitors must stop at front table and contact the school office before entering campus. Specialist, therapists, & parents (who are scheduled to visit) must sign in at front office in case contact tracing is necessary. Parents are encouraged to continue to participate and support their child's education through remote meetings and conferences via phone, messages, Class Dojo, or email.

SOCIAL DISTANCE:

Social distancing will be practiced in gym/athletic areas, classrooms, restrooms, and outside areas. Desks are arranged to accommodate 3 feet of space between students. Students will remain in one seat throughout the day. Classrooms, auditorium, and gym are arranged and designed allowing for social distancing using labels, stickers, or markers for students to know where to sit, stand or wait. Students are equipped with a shield on their desk in class and are provided with their own school supplies.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

LGISD has an inventory of PPE to provide for the protection of students, employees, parents, and visitors. These resources include face shields, disposable and reusable masks, Plexiglass barriers on each desk, hand sanitizer, and protective gear for custodial and support staff.

CLEANING/DISINFECTING:

COVID-19 approved disinfectants will continue to be used in all spaces. Each classroom and restroom will be cleaned and sanitized multiple times each day. Cleaning supplies will be provided for classroom/offices for immediate use. Hand sanitizing dispensers are installed throughout the school. La Gloria school will be equipped with water bottle filling stations.

RESTROOMS/WATER FOUNTAINS:

Increased disinfecting will occur throughout the school day for all restrooms. Staff and students must wash their hands with soap and water prior to exiting the restroom. Number of students in the restroom at one time is 3 or less at a time (for upper grades) and limited to 1 student in the restroom at a time (for lower grades). Students are encouraged and expected to bring their own water bottle for use throughout the day. La Gloria school will be equipped with water bottle filling stations.

MENTAL/SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL HEALTH:

LGISD will be responsive to Social and Emotional needs of students, staff and families by providing increased access to personnel such as a school counselor to respond to high risk needs.

COVID-19:

- **Self Screening** - If feeling any COVID-19 symptoms, staff and students are encouraged to stay home and visit or request guidance from their personal physician. Students exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be sent to school nurse, where parents will then be notified and offered to test for COVID-19, with parental approval. The student at this point will be sent home.
- **Contact Tracing** - LGISD will implement contact tracing and notify parents if necessary of contact tracing results.
- **Students who have COVID-19** - Parents must ensure they do not send a child to school on campus if the child has COVID-19 symptoms or is test confirmed with COVID-19, until the conditions for re-entry are met. During the exclusion period, LGISD will remain in contact with parents of these students, to assure interrupted learning is recovered.
- **Close Contacts** - Parents of students who are determined to be close contacts of an individual with COVID-19 may opt to keep their students at home during the recommended stay at home period. During the exclusion period, LGISD will remain in contact with parents of these students, to assure interrupted learning is recovered.

ACADEMIC ACCELERATION & LEARNING LOSS:

La Gloria ISD will be face to face for the school year 2021 - 2022, five days a week for all students PreK - 6th grade. In addition to the high quality teaching during the school day, LGISD will also be offering after school tutorials, winter break tutorials and summer school during the summer of 2022. LGISD will address the learning loss among students and implement evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students to include Accelerated Instruction that meets the HB 4545 requirements.

As part of the ESSER funds for 2021-2024, LGISD will identify services, including but not limited to services to address students' academic needs and students and staff social and emotional learning.

CONTINUITY OF SERVICES

LGISD will continue to offer extended day to accelerate instruction by providing small group and differentiated instruction for students not mastering skills taught during the week. Students will also have the opportunity to attend small tutorial sessions during the winter break and summer break of the 2022 summer season.