



2022-23 Continuity of Services Plan

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The information provided in this document is an overview of our continuity plan and will be updated periodically to reflect the most current information available to assist students, families, and staff in the 2022-23 school year. Updates to the public health directives from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) and is based on the public health situation with COVID-19 as it is understood today. Updated guidelines continue to focus on successful practices that resulted in onsite learning for students and limited disruptions throughout the year. Therefore, continued practices to mitigate the likelihood of COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses inside schools will be followed by KIPP Delta Public Schools are:

Onsite Learning

KIPP Delta Public Schools has made onsite, face-to-face instruction a priority. The district will not offer an off-campus/remote learning option because we want all students to benefit from the full range of critical academic and social activities that KIPP Delta provides. However, students may be required to become remote learners due to an outbreak of illness or other event (including inclement weather and other school-related emergencies).

In the event of virtual learning, students will use our online learning management system, Google Classroom, consistently during on-site instruction so that they are familiar with the system in the event that they must transition to remote learning.

If schools have to pivot to virtual learning for any number of days, families and staff will be notified by the district. During virtual learning, teaching and learning will continue as it did in previous years during AMI days. All district students will be provided with Chromebooks for virtual learning.

Face Masks

The use of face masks is not required for students, staff, or visitors. However, it is strongly recommended that individuals experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or other respiratory illnesses consider wearing a face mask to protect those around them. Please note that this requirement is subject to change pending guidance from ADH and the CDC.

Social Distancing

KIPP Delta will continue to encourage social distancing of three (3) feet within classrooms and other areas, when and where possible, to limit possible exposure or transmission of COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses.

Ventilation

KIPP Delta is in the process of upgrading HVAC filter systems in classrooms and office buildings with HEPA filters. We have also added buses to our fleet that have air condition systems with appropriate filters.

Use of Non-Classroom Spaces

When feasible and appropriate, it is preferable for students to gather outside rather than inside because of the reduced risk of virus spread outdoors.

KIPP Delta Public Schools may continue to offer extracurricular activities at their discretion and consistent with ADH guidance for non-AAA extracurricular activities and with the guidance found on the AAA website for all AAA-sponsored activities. The operation of facilities will be consistent with ADH guidance for large indoor and outdoor venues.

Hand Washing and Other Sanitizing Procedures

KIPP Delta will continue to have hand sanitizer and/or hand washing stations with soap and water at all times. Students, teachers, staff, and compass visitings will be encouraged to sanitize and/or wash hands frequently. In addition, the district's custodial staff will continue to sanitize classrooms and buildings daily.

Positive/Close Contact Cases

In the event an individual tests positive for COVID-19, KIPP Delta will follow the latest guidance from the ADH and the CDC. That guidance may be found at [Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-person Learning](#). The district will follow all state and national directives for contact tracing so families remain informed. KIPP Delta's Point of Contact is the Managing Director of Regional Operations.