

Brady Independent School District

Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services (RIPICS) Plan

Introduction

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act statute requires that LEAs develop and make publicly available their plans for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. A summary of Brady ISD's plan is below.

Effective Date of Plan

This plan is effective as of August 18, 2021.

Public Comment & Stakeholder Input

This plan was developed in consultation with stakeholders after soliciting public comment via our BISD District Leadership Team and District Site-Based Decision Making Committee.

Ongoing Review & Publication of Plan

The plan was drafted on June 30, 2021 and posted to the LEA website on September 7, 2021. Every six months, Brady ISD will review the plan in accordance with the latest guidance from the CDC, state and local governments. If revisions are needed to the plan, public input will be solicited and stakeholders will be meaningfully consulted. The revised version of the plan will then be posted on the website. The chart below provides information on this ongoing process.

Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan Review		
2021-2022 Year 1	Date of Initial Plan: June 30, 2021	Six Month Review Date: December 1, 2021 X No revision needed □ Revisions were made

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2022-2023 Year 2	Six Month Review Date: June 30, 2022 X No revision needed □ Revisions were made	End of Grant Period Review Date: December 1, 2022 No revision needed X Revisions were made
2023-2024 (Carryover Year)	Last required review is 9/30/2023 ~Grant ends 9/30/24~	

General Instructional Settings

Brady ISD's instructional model for the 2021-2022 school year will be in-person instruction for all students.

Provisions to Reduce Risk of Exposure to Health Hazards

Brady ISD will continue to mitigate risk of possible exposures/health hazards through the use of the following:

Systems & Procedures

- Follow updated CDC guidelines
- Sanitize seating areas, student and staff work surfaces and all other necessary items and equipment
- Brady ISD will continue to work with our local health authority
- Hand sanitizer will continue to be provided (front office and stations throughout the buildings)

Modifications to Facilities

- Brady ISD purchased an additional bus
- Install contactless water stations at each campus

Students' Academic Needs

Brady Independent School District plans to use the American Rescue Plans (ARP) Act ESSER funds to address learning loss of students, across all grade levels. Based on current academic measures, we have identified critical areas of need in reading instruction, writing and math. To address these areas of concern,

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BISD will provide targeted professional development, accelerated instruction, the hiring of instructional interventionists, tutorials and extended day opportunities for students. Additionally, BISD will focus on upgrading technology that aids in educational interaction with students and instructors (library learning centers, staff and student laptops and interactive panels). BISD library resources on all campuses will be updated to support student learning.

Students' Social, Emotional, Mental Health Needs

Brady Independent School District will address students' social, emotional and mental health needs through the hiring of a mental health specialist to serve students K-12. BISD will also purchase a positive behavior intervention system (PBIS) for the district to follow, as well as supply each of the campuses with a socialemotional curriculum (SEL).

Staff's Social, Emotional, Mental Health Needs

Brady Independent School District will support faculty and staff through recognitions (teacher and staff spotlight), quarterly Sonic drinks provided for all faculty and staff and other incentives. Additionally, the district will work to meet the social, emotional and mental health needs of staff, through the hiring of a mental health specialist.

Questions

Questions regarding this plan may be directed to:

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