

Yukon Koyukuk School District

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act

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Contact Information

District Information

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Assurance Agreement for ARP Act Mitigation Plan

The district assures either:

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- a) It will, within 30 days of receiving ARP ESSER funds, develop and make publicly available on the district's website a mitigation plan for the safe return and/or continuation of in-person instruction and continuity of services as required in section 2001(i)(1) of the ARP and in the U.S. Department of Education's [Interim Final Requirements](#), **or**
- b) It developed and made publicly available on the district's website such a mitigation plan that meets statutory requirements before the enactment of the ARP Act that meets -federal requirements. (The ARP Act was enacted on March 11, 2021)

The district assures that:

- a) It will periodically review and revise its mitigation plan, as appropriate, no less frequently than every six months for the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period (i.e., through September 30, 2023); and
- b) It will seek public input, and take such input into account, on (1) whether revisions are necessary and, if so, (2) the proposed revisions to the mitigation plan.

Before making the mitigation plan publicly available, the district **must seek public comment on the mitigation plan** and take such comments into account in the development of the plan.

Name of Superintendent: Kerry Boyd

Signature: *Kerry Boyd kerry boyd*

Date: 06/15/2021

Mitigation Plan

Plan Components

Districts must implement, to the greatest extent practicable, 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 to effectively maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff. Describe the extent to which the district adopted policies and a description of such policies on each of the strategies listed below:

1. [Masks](#)

Yukon Koyukuk School District will continue to align mask protocols with current CDC guidance and community protocols. Masks are provided at each school site for students, staff, and visitors. Currently masks are required at all nine of the Yukon Koyukuk School District brick and mortar schools, but they are optional in the district office and all of the Raven School offices.

2. [Physical distancing \(e.g., including use of cohorts/pods\)](#)

Yukon Koyukuk School District encourages social distancing recommendations of 3-6 feet proper spacing to mitigate risks of COVID-19 spread. The nine River Schools encourage social distancing in its schools with under.

3. [Handwashing and respiratory etiquette](#)

Yukon Koyukuk School District students, community and staff have been educated on proper procedures of handwashing and respiratory etiquette that includes controlling coughs and sneezes, remaining home when sick, and proper handwashing and use of hand sanitizers. The District will once again provide community wide training and in-services this fall using a certified nurse to help educate all staff. Sanitation stations are located in all schools in several locations. All families were provided a tool-kit of sanitation supplies. Communities without water were provided additional supplies.

4. [Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation](#)

All educational facilities are cleaned and maintained to increase mitigation of the spread of the virus. Older school facilities were provided air purifiers to improve ventilation.

5. [Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments](#)

Yukon Koyukuk School District continues to partner with TCC including the health clinics at each site. For the Raven offices located statewide, YKSD hired a nurse on a consultative basis to help answer questions and work with the district and local communities with contact tracing and recommendations for isolation and quarantining. When positive COVID-19 cases are determined that have connections to the school, local clinic personnel immediately

communicate with the appropriate district administrators about the situation and appropriate measures. Policies and practices align with State, local and tribal health departments.

6. [Diagnostic and screening testing](#)

YKSD hired a registered nurse on a contractual basis to help YKSD provide diagnostic and screening testing to all students and staff members District-wide. A screening technician specifically trained to test for COVID-19 will be located in each school community. YKSD will also continue to work with TCC and all health clinics for screening and diagnostic testing.

7. [Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible](#)

YKSD has partnered with TCC to help encourage students and staff to become vaccinated.

8. [Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies](#)

All YKSD students with disabilities are provided the proper accommodations in relation to health and safety, and academic needs, and delivery of academic materials for remote learning as needed.

Continuity of Services

Describe how the district will ensure continuity of services including, but not limited to, services to address students' academic needs, as well as the social, emotional, mental health, and other needs of students and staff (e.g., student health and food service).

YKSD provided in person learning to all students for most of the 20/21 school year. When schools were closed, remote learning packets were provided to students. YKSD will continue to provide in person learning and now has the capacity to provide distance delivery to two of its schools. Over the course of 12 months, all nine River Schools will have community internet access for students at home. Raven School learning will continue to meet parent and student needs. All Raven offices will be open full-time, with mitigation plans in place, beginning July 1. The Juneau and Delta offices opened full-time June 1, 2021. YKSD will continue to follow local guidelines and CDC recommendations. YKSD will continue with its food service program for both in person and at home learning where needed. YKSD expects to be opening all schools in green beginning in August. YKSD will continue to consult with the registered nurse it has hired and will review its policies with the YKSD School Board and Tribal Leaders.

Periodic Review

Describe how the district will periodically review and revise its mitigation plan, as appropriate, including a description of how the district will seek public input and take such input into account on (1) whether revisions are necessary and, if so, (2) the proposed revisions to the plan. Important Note: The district must review its mitigation plan no less frequently than every six months for the duration of the ARP ESSER grant period (i.e., through September 30, 2023).

YKSD continues to work with its stakeholders to review its mitigation plans on a regular basis. All stakeholders were surveyed, district personnel all met as a group on a quarterly basis and all leadership

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positions met with their departments on a monthly basis or even more frequently depending on the circumstances. The District has scheduled its quarterly meetings to discuss the mitigation plan for the 2021/2022 school year. TCC health services supervisor will be providing regular updates to the District beginning August 26th and the school nurse is scheduled to provide school -wide updates. The SmartStart plan will be reviewed and updated. The district recently provided a survey regarding the ARP to all River School Communities and to its Raven School Communities. This information is posted on Facebook and on the YKSD website.