



ESSER III Plan—Draft

Priorities for FY22 for Akros Middle School Include:

- 1) Providing a safe environment for students, staff, and families to fully continue school in person, and on site.
- 2) Providing and ensuring continuity of social/emotional support to students, families, and staff as we continue in-person/on-site learning and attendance.
- 3) Providing and ensuring continuity of academic support to students as we continue in person/on-site learning and attendance
- 4) Providing staff, tools, technology, or resources to support the above.

Priority One: Providing a safe environment for students, staff and families to fully continue school in person, and on site.

- a. Universal and correct wearing of masks:
The school will work with local health department, Akron Children's Hospital, CDC, and local and state guidelines when making decisions about mask wearing. For the 2021-2022 school year, Staff and students will be invited to employ safety measures such as wearing masks according to their preference. The school will supply face masks to those who chose to wear them. Similarly, those who do not wish to wear face masks will not be required to do so.
- b. Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding):
The school will work with the local health department, Akron Children's Hospital, CDC and local and state guidelines when making decisions about physical distancing. When it is appropriate 3ft of spacing will be used throughout the building and all students and staff will be respectful of 3ft of personal spacing of others.
- c. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:
Handwashing and hand sanitizing will be encouraged and used throughout the school building. The school will supply sanitizer to those staff and students who choose to use it throughout the school year. Similarly, those who do not wish to hand sanitize will not be required to do so.
- d. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation:
Akros Middle School maintenance and cleaning protocols will continue to observe cleaning standards and/or practices recommended through CDC or local health department guidance to ensure a safe learning environment for students and staff.
- e. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the state, local, territorial or tribal health departments:



Akros Middle School will continue to follow all contact tracing protocols required by the local boards of health, state department of education, and the sponsor. Practices may include quarantining persons based on guidance from authorities.

- f. Diagnostic and screening testing:
Akros Middle School will continue to work with our school nurse and Akron Children's Hospital to provide guidance to our families when testing and screening may be necessary.
- g. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff and students, if eligible:
Akros Middle School will continue to work with Akron Children's Hospital to either host or promote vaccination clinics available to staff, students, and families.
- h. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies:
We will follow all guidelines for ensuring any unique safety needs of students or staff with documented disabilities as is practicable on site. Accommodations requiring adjustments in placement or instruction will be developed and honored based on documented medical and/or individual education plans

Priority Two: Providing and ensuring continuity of social/emotional support to students, families, and staff as we continue in-person/on-site learning and attendance

Akros Middle School will hire a social emotional health and wellness teacher for the 2021-2022 school year and a guidance counselor. The health and wellness employee will teach a class focusing on the social emotional learning standards and work with students who have been identified as needing additional support through the school's MTSS process and through teacher recommendation. The guidance counselor will provide additional one on one support to students and families within the school building. The school will also continue to work with the outside agency Minority Behavioral Health that provides supports to our students and families including but not limited to housing, food, transportation, mental health services or other things in order to support their educational training. The school will continue to work on the Leader in Me program which promotes the SEL standards and helps students connect with their inner leader and help build confidence and create goals around attendance and academics. Our free breakfast and lunch programs will continue as before.

Priority Three: Providing additional academic supports to students who have learning gaps due to COVID-19 and/or online learning.

Akros Middle School will create an intensive after school academic based program to provide additional assistance to students who are falling behind due to COVID-19. The program will focus on the areas of mathematics and reading and will chose students based on NWEA fall map scores and state assessment data from the spring of 2021. The students will be chosen who fall well below grade level and need additional support outside of the classroom time to catch up with their peers. This program



will be ran by Akros Middle School licensed teachers who will provide instructional using high yield instructional strategies that have been data proven to increase student achievement.

Priority Four: Providing staff, tools, technology, or resources to support the above.

Akros Middle School will continue to provide professional development to the staff around high yield instructional strategies and around any new technology and/or curriculum that will be provided to the staff for the 2021-2022 school year. The school will continue to provide the staff with the latest technology to ensure that they are able to access all programs they need to be successful inside and outside the classroom in the rare instance that the schools were to have to move to a remote option sometime in the future.

Engaging Stakeholders

My school stakeholder engagement schedule is as follows:

Week of June 14th – leadership meeting on ARP ESSER III Priorities for Plan

Week of June 21st- Community School Leadership team high stakes review of ESSER III plan

June 28th- Website Posting for Community Engagement

Week of July 5th – Input solicited from Sponsor & Board of Education Stakeholders

Week of July 5th – Input solicited from parents and community partners

Plan Review & Revision

My school will review our ARP ESSER Plan:

Week of September 20th, 2021

Week of January 24th, 2021

Week of April 18th, 2021