

SASD: Health and Safety Plan 2023-24

*Plans are subject to change based on PDE and Department of Health directives
Updated March 2024*

This Health and Safety Plan was reviewed and revised by our district personnel and is presented to the school board based on updated information and guidance by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the PA Department of Health, and the Centers for Disease Control.

Current County [COVID-19 Level](#): Low

District Health and Safety Plan

Masking: Masks are optional for students and staff.

Contact Tracing/Notifications: The district will continue to monitor reported illnesses from students and families and make adjustments accordingly. Notifications of possible exposure to COVID-19 will not be made unless there is believed to be an outbreak within a classroom, grade, team, or the like.

Quarantine/Isolation: CDC recommendations made in March of 2024 no longer recommend an isolation period when positive for COVID-19. Similar to cases of influenza and other illnesses, we require students and staff to be fever-free without the use of fever reducers for 24 hours before returning to school/work. Individuals who are close contacts or are living with a COVID-19 positive individual should continue attending school as they closely monitor for symptoms. Anyone with a contagious illness or COVID-like symptoms should stay home and not attend school or activities.

Instruction: Instruction has returned to traditional in-person formats without systemic virtual instruction options for in-person students. Shenango Cyber Academy remains available for students needing long-term remote learning.

Cleaning and Ventilation: Daily cleaning and sanitizing are a part of everyday operations. Over the last two years, the district has also completed extensive HVAC upgrades and renovations to improve fresh air intake, air purification/filtration, and heating/cooling distribution. Portable/Classroom Air Purification Systems are also in place and utilized.