

District/PSA Template for the Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan as Described in <u>Public Act 149</u>, Section 98a

August 27, 2020

<u>September 3, 2020 Clarifications</u>

September 30, 2020 Revisions Based on SB 927

Introduction:

On August 20, 2020 Governor Whitmer signed House Bill 5913 into law as Public Act 149. Section 98a states that in order to receive state aid for 2020-2021, districts must provide for instruction under an extended COVID-19 Learning Plan ("Plan") that has been approved by an intermediate district or authorizing body. The Plan does not replace the District's/PSA's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan, it is an additional plan that includes new assurances and sections on educational goals, instructional delivery, grading, and equitable access. PA 149 does not apply to districts that operate as a cyber school.

District/PSA educational goals written for all students and all subgroups must be established no later than September 15, 2020 and submitted in their Plan to the ISD or Authorizing Body, as applicable, no later than October 1, 2020 for approval. A district that is a public school academy that, by agreement, provides educational services for the residents of a district that is not a public school academy and that does not directly provide public educational services to its residents that intends to provide instruction under an extended COVID-19 learning plan shall submit its extended COVID-19 learning plan described in subsection (1) to the intermediate district in which it is located not later than October 1, 2020 for approval.

The ISD or Authorizing Body will approve Extended COVID-19 Learning Plans no later than October 9, 2020 and transmit the approved plans to the state superintendent of public instruction and the state treasurer. Approved plans must be made accessible through the transparency reporting link located on the district's website by not later than October 4 12, 2020.









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[Kelloggsville Public Schools] Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan

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Name of Intermediate School District/PSA: Kent

Name of PSA Authorizing Body (if applicable):

Date of Approval by ISD/Authorizing Body:

Assurances

- The District/PSA will make their ISD/Authorizing Body approved Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan accessible through the transparency reporting link located on the District's/PSA's website no later than October 4 12, 2020.
- 2. By not later than January 15, 2021, the district shall create a report that includes information regarding both of the following and shall ensure that the report under this subdivision can be accessed through the transparency reporting link located on the district's website:
 - a. The amount and type of training provided during the current school year as of the date of the report to teachers of the district through professional development that focuses on how to deliver virtual content.
 - b. The amount and type of training provided during the current school year as of the date of the report to the parents and legal guardians of pupils and to pupils on how to access and use virtual content provided by the district.
- 3. The District/PSA will create and make available on its transparency reporting link located on the District/PSA's website, a report concerning the progress made in meeting the educational goals contained in its Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan not later than February 1, 2021, for goals its expected would be achieved by the middle of the school year and not later than the last day of school of the 2020-2021 school year for goals the District/PSA expected would be achieved by the end of the school year.
- 4. Benchmark Assessments: The District/PSA will
 - a. select a benchmark assessment or benchmark assessments that is/are aligned to state standards.
 - b. administer the approved benchmark assessment, or local benchmark assessment, or any combination thereof, to all pupils in grades K to 8 to measure proficiency in reading and mathematics within the first nine weeks of the 2020-2021 school year and again not later than the last day of the of the 2020-2021 school year.
- 5. If delivering pupil instruction virtually, the District/PSA will
 - a. provide pupils with equitable access to technology and the internet necessary to participate in instruction, and
 - b. expose each pupil to the academic standards that apply for each pupil's grade level or courses in the same scope and sequence as the District/PSA had planned for that exposure to occur for in-person instruction.

- 6. The District/PSA, in consultation with a local health department will develop guidelines concerning appropriate methods for delivering pupil instruction for the 2020-2021 school year that are based on local data that are based on key metrics. <u>Note: A determination concerning the method for delivering pupil instruction shall remain at the District/PSA Board's discretion.</u> Key metrics that the District/PSA will consider shall include at least all of the following:
 - a. COVID-19 Cases or Positive COVID-19 tests
 - b. Hospitalizations due to COVID-19
 - c. Number of deaths resulting from COVID-19 over a 14-day period
 - d. COVID-19 cases for each day for each 1 million individuals
 - e. The percentage of positive COVID-19 tests over a 4-week period
 - f. Health capacity strength
 - g. Testing, tracing, and containment infrastructure with regard to COVID-19
- 7. If the District/PSA determines that it is safe to provide in-person instruction to pupils, the District/PSA will prioritize providing in-person instruction to pupils in grades K to 5 who are enrolled in the District/PSA.
- 8. The District/PSA assures that
 - a. instruction will be delivered as described in this plan and re-confirmed by the District/PSA Board,
 - b. the description of instructional delivery in this plan matches the delivery of instruction to be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year,
 - c. the District/PSA will re-confirm how instruction will be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year thirty days after ISD approval of the plan, and every 30 days each month thereafter at a meeting of the Board, and
 - d. For each reconfirmation described in this subdivision, the district shall report to the center, in a form and manner prescribed by the center,
 - i. the instructional delivery method that was reconfirmed;
 - ii. how that instruction will be delivered for each grade level offered by the district, including pre-kindergarten, as applicable; and
 - iii. whether or not, as determined by the department in consultation with the center, the district is offering higher levels of in-person instruction for English language learners, special education students, or other special populations.
 - e. public comment will be solicited from the parents or legal guardians of the pupils enrolled in the District/PSA during a public meeting described in PA-149.
- 9. The District/PSA will ensure that students with disabilities will be provided with equitable access to instruction and accommodation in accordance with applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations.
- 10. The District/PSA will ensure that two (2), 2-way interactions occur between a pupil enrolled in the District/PSA and the pupil's teacher or at least one (1) of the pupil's teachers, or another district employee who has responsibility for the pupil's learning, grade progression, or academic progress during each week of the school year for at least 75% of the pupils enrolled in the District/PSA. The District/PSA will publicly announce its weekly interaction rates at each District/PSA Board meeting where

it re-confirms how instruction is being delivered. The District/PSA will make those rates available through the transparency reporting link located on the District/PSA website each month for the 2020-2021 school year.

Clarification of Assurance 10: "2-way interaction" means a communication that occurs between a pupil and the pupil's teacher or at least 1 of the pupil's teachers or another district employee who has responsibility for the pupil's learning, grade progression, or academic progress, where 1 party initiates communication and a response from the other party follows that communication, and that is relevant to course progress or course content for at least 1 of the courses in which the pupil is enrolled or relevant to the pupil's overall academic progress or grade progression. Responses, as described in this subdivision, must be to the communication initiated by the teacher, by another district employee who has responsibility for the pupil's learning, grade progression, or academic progress, or by the pupil, and not some other action taken.

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Learning Plan Narrative

1. Opening Statement

The COVID-19 global pandemic is impacting our school community in a number of ways: we are experiencing a traumatic event, many students may have significant gaps in their learning, and equity issues are more pronounced.

As we return to school in the fall, our first priority will be to ensure the well-being of all members of our school community. Because of the wide range of experiences students had during the remote learning portion of the 19-20 school year, we anticipate that students will come to school in the fall of 2020 with a wider than usual range of competencies. We expect that many students will be behind and will need opportunities to catch up. Teachers will need opportunities to collaborate with each other as they examine student work and determine what comes next in the learning for each student.

As Kelloggsville plans to begin the school year, families were provided with two options: in-person earning or virtual learning. Approximately 46% of our students enrolled in-person, while approximately 54% of our students enrolled in virtual learning. In both of these learning environments, we will need to ensure that there are structures in place to ensure student engagement and achievement for all. This plan will focus on teaching and learning with an emphasis on equity for all learners and the well-being of students and staff.

2. Educational Goals

Quality Evidence-Based Assessment Practices

Kelloggsville Public Schools believes that benchmark assessment evidence can be used to monitor and evaluate patterns and trends in school/district academic performance and to identify effective instructional programs. We believe it can provide guidance for standardizing or adjusting curriculum and instruction across grade levels, schools, and districts. Our benchmark assessment for students in grades K-8 will be the NWEA Map Growth Assessment. This assessment will be given to all students, including those learning online in the first 9 weeks of school and within the last 9 weeks of instruction. We are also considering giving the assessment mid-year to gauge progress up to that point.

However, we will not use benchmark assessment data to make high-stakes instructional decisions about individual student learning. Rather, Kelloggsville Public Schools will continue the use of (and professional learning around the use of) the formative assessment process as a powerful practice embedded in the teaching and learning process to continuously observe where our students are in order to modify instruction.

We believe the use of the formative assessment process, which is supported by an extensive body of research, provides in-time data for both our teachers and students to accelerate their learning and progress and gives us a more complete picture of what our students know and are able to do.

Educational Goals

The NWEA assessments in reading and mathematics will be administered to all students at least twice: once in the first nine weeks of the school year, and again prior to the last day of school. Formative assessments will provide information to inform our progress toward our goals over the course of the year. Progress reports will be available on our website in February and June.

As a means of continuous improvement in teaching & learning, all teachers will receive professional development in, and commit to the use of, the formative assessment process.

Additionally, we will continue to engage stakeholders in the district's balanced assessment system, including publicly sharing aggregate and student subgroup performance reports on NWEA results.

Goal 1 - All students (K-8) will improve performance in Reading/ELA from Fall to Spring as measured by NWEA.

- All teachers will use the formative assessment process to support adjustment to teaching & learning, to support meaningful student progress towards mastery of Reading/ELA academic standards.
- Results from Reading/ELA benchmark assessments, local Reading/ELA summative assessments, and formative assessment will be continuously discussed and analyzed by staff.

Goal 2 - All students (K-8) will improve performance in Mathematics from Fall to Spring as measured by NWEA.

 All teachers will use the formative assessment process to support adjustment to teaching & learning, to support meaningful student progress towards mastery of Math academic standards.

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 Results from Math benchmark assessments, local Math summative assessments, and formative assessment will be continuously discussed and analyzed by staff.

3. Instructional Delivery & Exposure to Core Content

Note: The Kelloggsville Public Schools full instructional plan can be found in the <u>Kelloggsville</u> Public <u>Schools COVID Preparedness and Response Plan</u>

Mode of Instruction

Kelloggsville Public Schools is offering two instructional options to start the 2020-21 school year online learning and in-school learning. Both groups of students will receive instruction based on the same state standards.

For those students learning in school, student and staff health and safety will be addressed through a variety of safety measures recommended by the Kent County Health Department. In addition, Kelloggsville Public Schools has adopted the following structural changes to the normal school day:

- Kelloggsville High School will use a modified schedule, with less transitions to reduce the movement of students throughout the school. Students will have 3 class periods per day, instead of the normal 6 period day.
- · At Kelloggsville Middle School, students will receive core instruction in self-contained classrooms, leaving with their cohort only for electives and lunch.
- · In our elementary buildings, classes will be self-contained for the entire day, with elective teachers rotating into the classrooms to provide instruction.

Curriculum and Instruction: Academic Standards

Kelloggsville Public Schools is using two different learning platforms that will serve as a basis for instruction for both in school and virtual learners. Students in grades K-2 will be exposed to content through the Accelerate Education platform, and students in grades 3-12 will receive instruction through Odysseyware. Staff have received extensive training on how to effectively use these platforms. Most importantly, both of these platforms are aligned with national and state standards. With many of our students learning virtually, our online teachers are working towards creating an online environment that includes the following approaches:

- · Establishing and maintaining remote classroom norms and learning routines
- · Implementing culturally responsive teaching practices
- · Encouraging student collaboration and discourse
- · Creating opportunities for and attend carefully to feedback
- · Engaging students in meaningful learning opportunities

Assessment and Grading

Kelloggsville Public Schools bases its assessment system on the Michigan Standards. We regularly assess students at the district and classroom level to determine if they are making progress toward meeting those standards. We place a heavy emphasis on formative assessment. This is critical in the instructional process so that students receive timely feedback that helps them know what they need to do to improve. It also gives the teacher important information to know how to adjust the teaching and learning process to meet each student's needs. We also have a system for delivering summative assessments at the district and classroom levels. These are given at the end of a period of learning as an evaluation of what has been learned and are part of our district grading process. For example, our teachers deliver summative assessments at the end of each unit of study in our curriculum. These assessments are based on a coherent set of standards in the subject area that focus on a related group of skills and disciplinary knowledge.

For students in grades 3-12, we make available to our parents and legal guardians a web-based system that allows them to see their children's grades at any time. Our teachers keep up-to-date information on student grades in this system. We also send progress reports to our parents and guardians during each marking period. This is in addition to the expectation we have for all teachers that they keep parents and guardians abreast of any concerns regarding a student's grade through emails and phone calls.

4. Equitable Access

Technology

Kelloggsville Public Schools ensures all students will be provided equitable access to technology and the internet as described in our Continuity of Learning Plan that was previously submitted to the state. For the 20-21 school year, Chromebooks have been handed out to all students. In addition, through a partnership with the Kent District Library, families that did not have internet access were given Verizon hotspots with unlimited data.

Students with identified special needs

Students' IEPs, IFSPs, and 504 plans will be reviewed in coordination with general and special education teachers and/or providers to address any data-driven accommodations and/or services that are needed due to known changes in students' needs.

For students from birth to five, those with identified special needs, intervention and support services will be integrated into the student's program immediately upon the start of school.

The district has established structures for general and special education teachers and/or providers to collaborate and communicate regarding student performance and student needs on IEP goals and objectives with special consideration regarding assistive technology and accessibility.

The district ensures a continuation of services for students receiving speech and language, occupational therapy, physical therapy, or social work services within their IFSP or IEP. The district also ensures a method for the continuation of evaluation for students suspected of having a disability as well as those requiring re-evaluation.

Other Vulnerable Populations

- · Kelloggsville Public Schools has many EL students which require additional assistance to master academic content. As a result, the district has employed numerous teachers that are EL certified. We are using these teachers to support our EL students in the classroom and virtually.
- · We also have many students in grades K-2 who are below grade level, specifically in the area of reading. To meet the needs of these students, our most highly skilled literacy teachers provide support in the classroom and to those learning online.
- · To address any health issues that may arise, Kelloggsville has hired a part-time nurse who will provide support to students, staff and families.
- · Our counseling department will offer assistance through links on the Clever start-up page. Students will have access to SEL activities and information, as well as the ability to schedule virtual counseling sessions.
- · Our high school and middle school will continue to offer advanced placement opportunities to students learning in school and online.
- · Kelloggsville will continue to offer a Work-Based Learning Program designed to meet the needs of talented students who may not by college-bound. This program is available to all students.