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**District/PSA Template for the
Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan
as Described in [Public Act 149, Section 98a](#)**

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[September 3, 2020 Clarifications](#)

September 30, 2020 Revisions Based on [PA-0165](#) (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 12, 2020.

District/PSA Extended COVID-19 Learning Plans should be submitted to the ISD or Authorizing Body as a PDF file.

This is a Review Only document. Please download it as a Microsoft Word document to add your own District/PSA logo and Extended Covid-19 Learning Plan.



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Mid Peninsula School Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan

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Name of Intermediate School District/PSA: Mid Peninsula School

Name of PSA Authorizing Body (if applicable):

Date of Approval by ISD/Authorizing Body: 9/21/2020

Assurances

1. 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. *Note: A determination concerning the method for delivering pupil instruction shall remain at the District/PSA Board's discretion.* 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.

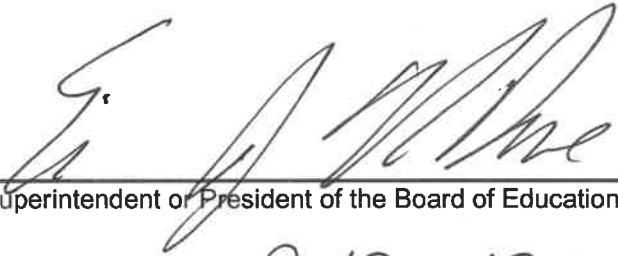
8. The District/PSA assures that

- 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.



District Superintendent or President of the Board of Education/Directors

9/21/20

Date

Learning Plan Narrative

Opening Statement

- Please provide a statement indicating why an Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan is necessary to increase pupil engagement and achievement for the 2020-2021 school year.

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 expanded opportunities to collaborate with each other as they examine student work and determine what comes next in the learning for each student. Additionally, all staff will need more opportunities to learn new programs and adjust to new teaching methods as the school year and the impact of the virus evolves.

As Mid Peninsula School plans to begin the school year with the majority of the students in a face-to-face learning environment, we will need to ensure that there are structures in place to ensure student engagement and achievement for all, including those students opting for online instruction. Additionally, staff and students have the need to prepare for transitioning into online learning if the virus forces the district to fall back into a distance learning mode. This plan will focus on teaching and learning with an emphasis on equity for all learners and the well-being of students and staff.

Educational Goals

- **Please outline and describe** the educational goals expected to be achieved for the 2020-2021 school year. The District/PSA must establish all of its goals no later than September 15, 2020. Authorizing bodies expect PSA educational goals will be aligned to the educational goal within your charter contract.
- **Specify** which goals are expected to be achieved by the middle of the school year and which goals are expected to be achieved by the end of the school year.
- **Ensure** that all of the following apply to the educational goals described in this section: (a) The goals include increased pupil achievement or, if growth can be validly and reliably measured using a benchmark assessment or benchmark assessments, growth on a benchmark assessment in the aggregate and for all subgroups of pupils; (b) The District/PSA benchmark assessment(s) are aligned to state standards and will be administered to all pupils K-8 at least once within the first 9 weeks of the 2020-2021 school year and not later than the last day of the 2020-2021 school year to determine whether pupils are making meaningful progress toward mastery of these standards; and (c) the District's/PSA's educational goals are measurable through a benchmark assessment or benchmark assessments.
- To the extent practicable, the District/PSA will administer the same benchmark assessment or benchmark assessments that it administered to pupils in previous years.

The Mid Peninsula School District 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.

Mid Peninsula School District will continue 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. This includes using the data gathered through the formative assessment process to guide professional learning.

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, mathematics, and science will be administered to all students three times during the school year: once in the first nine weeks of the school year, once mid-year at the semester break, 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 and shared with parents and students in November, February, and June.

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.

Additionally, the Mid Peninsula School District will use the DIBELS assessment suite produced by Acadience Learning to measure literacy skills for students in grades K-3 no later than the 30th day of school.

Goal 1 - All students (K-12) 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-12) 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.
- Results from Math benchmark assessments, local Math summative assessments, and formative assessment will be continuously discussed and analyzed by staff.

Goal 3 - All students (K-3) will improve performance in literacy skills from fall to spring as measured by the DIBELS Assessments.

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

Instructional Delivery & Exposure to Core Content

- **Please describe** how and where instruction will be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year. (e.g. instruction may be delivered at school or a different location, in-person, online, digitally, by other remote means, in a synchronous

or asynchronous format, or any combination thereof).

Note: The Mid Peninsula School District full instructional plan can be found at www.mpswolverines.com

Mode of Instruction

To start the school year, all PK-12 students will attend school every day for face-to-face instruction. Student and staff health and safety will be addressed through a cohort model in grades PK-5 that keeps students together for the entire school day. Students will wear masks in common areas and on buses.

High school students will begin the year with face-to-face instruction while wearing masks in the classrooms, common areas, and on buses. Students in quarantine will be taught remotely via Google Classroom for all of their classes. Students and families opting for online instruction will utilize the google classroom and participate in class remotely. This schedule attends to health and safety of students and staff members while maximizing instructional delivery and learning.

- **Please describe** how instruction for core academic areas will expose each pupil to the academic standards that apply for each pupil's grade level or course in the same scope and sequence as the District/PSA had planned for that exposure to occur for in-person instruction.

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Curriculum and Instruction: Academic Standards

The Mid Peninsula School District curriculum for core academic areas is aligned to state standards. The District will focus professional development on guiding teachers to implement instructional approaches to meet the range of student needs as they return to school in the fall, identify assessment ideas that allow students to demonstrate understanding in a variety of ways, assess and provide instruction in the content areas in face-to-face, virtual, and blended classroom environments, and incorporate well-being. All staff have received training through Saint-A's Trauma Informed Schools and will be applying those strategies to student relationships.

In the event the District must revert to distance learning, the district teachers will employ the best practices for distance learning.

- **Please describe** how pupil progress toward mastery of the standards described within this section will be graded or otherwise reported to the pupil and the pupil's parent or legal guardian.

Assessment and Grading

Mid Peninsula School District bases its assessment system on the Michigan Standards and Benchmarks. 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. Additionally, students in grades 6-12 take end of semester exams in each of their courses.

We make available to our parents and legal guardians a web-based system, PowerSchool 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 and report cards at the end of each quarter. 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.

Equitable Access

- If delivering pupil instruction virtually, please **describe** how the District/PSA will provide pupils with equitable access to technology and the internet necessary to participate in instruction.

Technology

The Mid Peninsula School District 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. The School Districts system for maintaining student access to technology devices and the internet is described in the Continuity of Learning Plan, and again in the Preparedness and Response Plan which can be found at www.mpswolverines.com. The School District provides a one-to-one Chromebook program for students in grades 2-12.

- **Please describe** how 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.

Students with identified special needs

When school starts, students' IEPs 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 and/or placement.

For students from birth to five, those with identified special needs, and those attending CTE programming, 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 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.

Mid Peninsula School will follow the special education guidance set forth by the State of Michigan Department of Education during the pandemic.

- **Optional Considerations for District/PSA Extended COVID-19 Learning Plans:**
 - 1. In addition to the students with disabilities noted above, please describe how the District/PSA will ensure that the needs of other vulnerable student populations, such as but not limited to, early English Learners and Fledgling/struggling students, are met.
 - 2. Please describe how the District/PSA will ensure that students will, during pandemic learning, have continued access to programs such as, but not limited to, Early Childhood, CTE, Early-Middle College, Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement as applicable within the District/PSA.

The Mid Peninsula School District full instructional plan can be found at www.mpswolverines.com, additionally, the school continues to work with Bay College to ensure academic success for our dual-enrolled and Early Middle College Students. Mid Peninsula will also continue to work with the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District on CTE classes and GSRP programming.

**Mid Peninsula School
Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Goal Reporting**

Date: 9/14/2020

Goal Category	Goal Related to Achievement or Growth on K - 8 Benchmarks
Middle of the Year Reading Goal	All students (K-12) will improve performance in Reading/ELA from fall to winter as measured by NWEA.
End of the Year Reading Goal	All students (K-12) will improve performance in Reading/ELA from fall to spring as measured by NWEA.
Middle of the Year Mathematics Goal	All students (K-12) will improve performance in Mathematics from fall to winter as measured by NWEA.
End of the Year Mathematics Goal	All students (K-12) will improve performance in Mathematics from fall to spring as measured by NWEA.
Middle of the Year Literacy Goal	All students (K-3) will improve performance in Literacy Skills from fall to winter as measured by DIBELS.
End of the Year Literacy Goal	All students (K-3) will improve performance in Literacy Skills from fall to spring as measured by DIBELS.

Achievement or Growth on Benchmark Assessment

Reporting Category	Beginning of the Year			By February 1			Before End of Year		
	Reading	Math	Literacy	Reading	Math	Literacy	Reading	Math	Literacy
All Students									
Econ. Dis.									
Special Ed.									
ELL									
Female									
Male									
100% Remote									
Not 100% Remote									