

Lohn Independent School District Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services (RIPICS) Plan

[Introduction](#)

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act statute requires that LEAs develop and make publicly available their plans for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. A summary of Lohn ISD's plan is below.

[Effective Date of Plan](#)

This plan is effective as of July 9, 2021.

[Public Comment & Stakeholder Input](#)

This plan was developed in consultation with stakeholders after soliciting public comment via: electronic survey, public board meeting, teacher survey, focus group.

[Ongoing Review & Publication of Plan](#)

The plan was drafted on July 9, 2021 and posted to the LEA website lohnisd.net. Every six months Lohn ISD will review the plan in accordance with the latest guidance from the CDC, state and local governments. If revisions are needed to the plan, public input will be solicited and stakeholders will be meaningfully consulted. The revised version of the plan will then be posted on the website. The chart below provides information on this ongoing process.

Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan Review

2021-2022 Year 1	<u>Date of Initial Plan:</u> July 9, 2021	<u>Six Month Review Date:</u> January 9, 2022 <input type="checkbox"/> No revision needed <input type="checkbox"/> Revisions were made
2022-2023 Year 2	<u>Six Month Review Date:</u> July 9, 2022 <input type="checkbox"/> No revision needed <input type="checkbox"/> Revisions were made	<u>End of Grant Period Review Date:</u> January 9, 2023 <input type="checkbox"/> No revision needed <input type="checkbox"/> Revisions were made
2023-2024 (Carryover Year)	Last required review is 9/30/2023 ~Grant ends 9/30/24~	

General Instructional Settings

For the 2021-22 school year, we are planning for all students Pre-K through 12th grade to be learning on-campus with face-to-face and/or in-person electronically-facilitated instruction.

Unless conditions and/or guidance changes, there will be no long-term remote instruction offered by Lohn ISD during the 2021-22 school year.

All students will be subject to the compulsory attendance laws of the State of Texas and Lohn ISD.

Should Texas Education Requirements and/or health conditions require, Lohn ISD is prepared to shift to remote instruction as needed.

Provisions to Reduce Risk of Exposure to Health Hazards

Systems & Procedures

- In light of the latest CDC guidance and Governor Abbott’s Executive Order, the Lohn ISD Board of Trustees on April 14, 2021, at a regular meeting of the Board voted to make the wearing of masks optional inside the buildings of Lohn ISD.
- Lohn ISD is planning to suspend protocols addressing social distancing and temperature checks to enter the buildings and vehicles of the District. However, should conditions warrant those protocols will be reinstated.
- The District will continue to offer hand sanitizer at multiple locations throughout our buildings. Additionally, the District will encourage frequent hand-washing throughout the school day.
- Should exposure to COVID-19 occur on campus, the District will notify parents of students who may have had close contact.

- Lohn ISD will coordinate with State and local health officials concerning reportable conditions as required by law.
- Visitors are welcome on campus; however, before being allowed to enter the buildings, visitors will be questioned whether they are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or about their exposure to COVID-19.

Students’ Academic Needs

Lohn ISD is dedicated to the educational growth and success of our students. The Pandemic created learning loss for many students, and the District will address learning loss with the following strategies: extended school year for struggling learners, targeted instruction before, during and/or after school, additional instructional intervention for students in need of additional instruction, adopt strategies to assist parents’/guardians’ increased engagement in student learning.

Students’ Social, Emotional, Mental Health Needs

Lohn ISD will provide a certified school counselor to help support students’ social, emotional, mental health needs. Referral of students in need of additional services that are provided by sources outside of Lohn ISD are available. Lohn ISD will again participate in the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) offered by the USDA where all students are eligible to eat a nutritious breakfast and lunch free of charge. During the summer the District will participate in the Summer Food Service Program.

Employees’ Social, Emotional, Mental Health Needs

Employees of Lohn ISD are expected to meet the work expectations set by the Board of Trustees subject to any applicable employment contract terms or legal requirements. Lohn ISD administration will meet with any of our employees, at the employee’s request, to discuss possible accommodations and make reasonable accommodations to maintain the safety of our students, our teachers and our staff.

Questions

Questions regarding this plan may be directed to:

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