

Temporary Permission to Provide Primarily Continuous/Remote Learning (Optional)

Cedar Rapids - Regis Middle School

State Reviewed - Approved

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Information

Department of Education and Public Health guidelines recommend applying for a waiver for temporary Continuous/Remote Learning for an entire school building or district for up to 14 days if both of the following criteria have been met. You may still apply even if you do not meet these requirements.

- 15-20% positivity in the county on average over the past 14 days
- 10% absenteeism among students expected for in-person learning

Only the Departments of Education and Public Health can make the determination and provide temporary authorization to move to 100% online or remote learning. This plan is fluid and subject to change as more information becomes available.

Please note that the Department is required to post this application and all supporting documentation to the [Department's Website](#). **Personally identifiable information must, therefore, be omitted from this application and any supporting documentation.**

Circumstance Requiring Temporary Continuous/Remote Learning

Temporary Permission to Provide Primarily Continuous/Remote Learning is being sought for

- the entire public school district
- one or more buildings within the public school district
- a state accredited nonpublic school

Please enter the date that you propose primarily continuous/remote learning will begin.

11/9/2020



Please enter the date that you propose primarily continuous/remote learning will end.

11/20/2020



What was the county's average positivity over the past 14 days?

The county's positivity rate over the last 14 days was 18.7%.

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What is your current or anticipated absentee rate and how was it calculated?

Current absentee rate is 18% and was calculated taking the number of in building students divided by the overall amount students absent due to being in quarantine or isolation.

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Optional Upload - Please upload any relevant information or supporting documentation.

File Uploaded:
[Regis Letter from LCPH.docx](#)
Uploaded on: 11/06/2020

Do not upload any personally identifiable information.

Provision of Temporary Continuous/Remote Learning

If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that all students with IEPs are provided with FAPE during the time the district/school is providing services primarily online?

Students with IEPs will continue to receive SDI through the local public school district online at their regularly scheduled times. All accommodations listed on the IEP will continue to be implemented and proper communication amongst the IEP team will continue via email .

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that students who require mental health or health services still have access to these services during the time the district/school is providing services primarily online?

Our counselor will do individual meeting with targeted students via zoom. She will also do small groups during lunch time via zoom. Mental Health resources will be shared to our website and a google classroom for each class specifically sharing resources for social and emotional health. Weekly checkin calls will be made as well from office staff to inform our counseling office of possible needs and updates of students.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that students with 504 plans continue to receive services?

Each grade level team of teachers will continue to meet weekly via zoom for "child study" meetings where notes are taken on students needing extra support and classroom needs. Our learning strategist teacher will continue to work with our teachers and our 504 coordinator to ensure accommodations are followed.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district continue to provide meals to students?

A form will be provided on our website where parents can fill out the day before by noon for lunch on the next day. Pickup time for lunches will be between 11:00am and 12:30pm.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district provide access to instructional materials and services for students who do not have access to the internet?

We have purchased hot spots using GEER funds and currently have more funds available to spend to purchase more if needed. Weekly checkins from teachers, office staff and our counselor will help us ensure students have the tools needed to be successful including access to internet.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, what process will you use to communicate with parents/families on educational services and changes in delivery models?

We have utilized school messenger to email our families weekly with updates on current numbers of students absent due to quarantining, isolation, and positive tests. We will continue to utilize this method in addition to our website and our school facebook page.

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Record of Application Approval

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Department staff will use the field below to record the history of application approval.

Amy Williamson reset application on 11/12