



MOUNTAIN LAKE ACADEMY EDUCATIONAL REOPENING PLAN

This document is intended to communicate specific components of Mountain Lake Academy educational plans for reopening in September 2020. This plan is to be used in conjunction with the Covid Reopening Plan (attached). The Mountain Lake Academy Educational Reopening Plan offers families, districts, and students three options for instruction based on COVID-19 regional needs and contains the structure for in-person instruction model, a hybrid model, and a remote instruction model. Mountain Lake Academy will continue to monitor all procedures and practices to ensure the health and safety of all.

- **In-Person Instruction:** Mountain Lake Academy will provide in-person instruction for all students who reside on campus during the academic calendar year. Classrooms will have a maximum number of students and staff to ensure that the amount of square footage per person is no more than 20.
- **Hybrid Model:** If Mountain Lake Academy has students both on-campus and off-campus due to COVID-19, a hybrid of in-person instruction and remote instruction will occur.
- **Remote Instruction:** In the case of student(s) who are off-campus, remote instruction will be provided to those student(s). This will include students who are not on campus due to the closure of Mountain Lake Academy; parent, county, and/or school requests to provide remote instruction; and/or students who are isolated/quarantined due to COVID-19 infection, signs/symptoms, or potential exposure.

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I. Mountain Lake Academy 2020-2021 Academic Schedule

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>5 days of direct instruction per week.</p> <p>5 periods per day.</p> <p>Core subjects of English, Math Science, and Social Studies will be 78 minutes per period.</p> <p>Elective Course will be 78 minutes per period.</p> <p>Attendance is taken daily during each period in PowerSchool.</p> <p>Students will be grouped in Cohorts. 1 TA per cohort.</p> <p>Teachers will meet with each cohort of students.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students:</p> <p>On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students:</p> <p>4 days of remote instruction through the use of video conference per week for core subjects.</p> <p>1 day of independent learning per week for core subjects and elective.</p> <p>Independent learning will be provided for elective on a weekly basis.</p> <p>Each student will be required to video conference into the class during its normally scheduled time period.</p> <p>Attendance will be taken in PowerSchool as Remote Instruction. The student must be present and engaged.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>A modified schedule of core classes will be used.</p> <p>Core classes of English, Math, Science, and Social Studies will meet for 1 hour per day, 4 days per week. 1 day per week will be used for independent learning.</p> <p>Each student will be required to video conference into the class during its normally scheduled time period.</p> <p>Attendance will be taken in PowerSchool as Remote Instruction. The student must be present and engaged.</p>

II. Mountain Lake Academy Courses/Instruction

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>Courses meet NYSED standards of learning.</p> <p>IEPs will continue to be implemented including modifications, accommodations, supports, services, and progress monitoring.</p> <p>Classes will have an 8:1+1 or 6:1+1 ratio.</p> <p>Desks and tables will be positioned in order to obtain and maintain proper social distancing of 6 feet or more.</p> <p>A blended learning approach will be used which will include whole group, small group, and individual support.</p> <p>1-to-1 iPad Pros will be provided to all students.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students:</p> <p>On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students:</p> <p>Courses will continue to meet NYSED standards of learning.</p> <p>IEPs will continue to be implemented including modifications, accommodations, supports, services, and progress monitoring when possible.</p> <p>Director of Special Education will provide weekly conference with all off-campus students.</p> <p>1-to-1 iPad Pros will be provided to all students.</p> <p>MLA will ensure that the student has access to the internet.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>Courses will continue to meet NYSED standards of learning.</p> <p>IEPs will continue to be implemented including modifications, accommodations, supports, services, and progress monitoring when possible.</p> <p>A modified schedule of core classes will be used.</p> <p>Core classes of English, Math, Science, and Social Studies will meet for 1 hour per day, 4 days per week. 1 day per week will be used for independent learning.</p> <p>Each student will be required to video conference into the class during its normally scheduled time period.</p> <p>Attendance will be taken in PowerSchool as Remote Instruction. The student must be present and engaged.</p> <p>Director of Special Education or designee will provide weekly conference with all off-campus students.</p> <p>1-to-1 iPad Pros will be provided to all students.</p> <p>MLA will ensure that the student has access to the internet.</p>

III. Social and Emotional Learning and Related Services

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>Related services will be provided as mandated by IEP.</p> <p>Social distancing and mask wearing will be implemented per policy and CDC guidelines.</p> <p>TA support is provided in each classroom.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students:</p> <p>On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students:</p> <p>When applicable, related services will be provided remotely through phone or video conferencing.</p> <p>School Social Workers will conference with students at home twice per week, engaging students with various activities that promote consistent development in the areas of need.</p> <p>Residential staff will conference with students 4 times per week to ensure the students continue with the therapeutic programming provided by the Academy.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>When applicable, related services will be provided remotely through phone or video conferencing.</p> <p>School Social Workers will conference with students at home twice per week, engaging students with various activities that promote consistent development in the areas of need.</p> <p>Residential staff will conference with students 4 times per week to ensure the students continue with the therapeutic programming provided by the Academy.</p>

IV. Transportation

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>All students reside on campus.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students:</p> <p>All students reside on campus.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students:</p> <p>Transportation does not apply to off-campus students in relation to hybrid instruction.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>Transportation does not apply to off-campus students in relation to remote instruction.</p>

V. Food Service

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>All meals will be provided to the students.</p> <p>Multiple lunch periods will be provided to accommodate proper social distancing.</p> <p>Multiple dining locations will be provided to accommodate proper social distancing.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students: On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students: The Academy will contact family to ensure that meals can be provided to students without concern. Any concern will be addressed with referral agency.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>The Academy will contact family to ensure that meals can be provided to students without concern. Any concern will be addressed with referral agency.</p>

VI. Chronic Absenteeism

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
<p>All students reside on campus.</p>	<p>On-Campus Students: On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students: Teachers will report absenteeism in PowerSchool and to the absent student’s Treatment Coordinator. The Treatment Coordinator will contact the student and the family on the day of the student’s absence to obtain information related to the absence. This will be done on an ongoing basis in an effort to address frequent and unnecessary absence from school. Protocols will be followed to ensure all students are engaged in the educational process in school.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>Teachers will report absenteeism in PowerSchool and to the absent student’s Treatment Coordinator. The Treatment Coordinator will contact the student and the family on the day of the student’s absence to obtain information related to the absence. This will be done on an ongoing basis in an effort to address frequent and unnecessary absence from school. Protocols will be followed to ensure all students are engaged in the educational process in school.</p>

VII. Health Protocols

In-Person Instruction	Hybrid	Remote Instruction
See attached Mountain Lake Academy Reopening Plan	<p>On-Campus Students: On-campus students will follow the In-Person Instruction model.</p> <p>Off-Campus Students: During remote learning, staff will continue to guide students and families on the health and safety protocols established by the CDC and DOH.</p>	<p>Mountain Lake Academy Closure</p> <p>During remote learning, staff will continue to guide students and families on the health and safety protocols established by the CDC and DOH.</p>