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Special Education Return Plan 2020
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GPPSS fully supports the return to in person services and programs for students with disabilities within a safe environment for students and staff, utilizing PPE and mandated safety procedures. Please review the details, including projected timelines, in the Tiers below.

September 8-20:

Families, students, and staff will work together virtually to build relationships, create effective schedules for students and families, and allow for all students and staff to engage in the virtual/remote learning environment.

Tier 1 (Sept 21-Oct.5, 2020) - Same

- Categorical Autism Spectrum Disorder and Cognitive Impairment (ASD & CI) programs start 1:1 and small group direct services 1 time a week for Speech Language Therapy (SLP), Occupational Therapy (OT) and Physical Therapy (PT) for elementary & secondary students.

Tier 2 (Oct 5) - Same

- Early On (EO) program will begin outdoor scheduled family visits.
- Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) program will begin in person instruction, 1/2 days, Monday-Thursday.
- Categorical ASD & CI programs will begin in person instruction, 1/2 days, Monday-Friday, in the a.m. at elementary level (K-4)
- Categorical ASD & CI programs will begin in person instruction, 1/2 days, Monday-Friday, in the p.m. at secondary level (5-12).
- Post-secondary programs at Community Campus will begin in person instruction, 1/2 time, for full days. MOCI (Dykstra) Monday/Tuesday, ASD (Bokatizian) Thursday/Friday.

Tier 3 (Oct 12) - **UPDATED**

Ages 0-5

- Early On (EO) program will continue outdoor scheduled family visits. **Continue until further notice**
- Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) program will continue in person instruction, 1/2 days, Monday-Thursday. **Continue until further notice**
- Early childhood “speech only” services will begin in person. **Updated**

Grade Y5-4 & 5

- Elementary level (grades Y5-4 & 5) Ancillary services (SLP, OT, PT, SSW) will begin in person, according to the CLP. These will be scheduled during in-building days and/or asynchronous days. **Updated**
- Elementary level (grades Y5-4 & 5) Resource program will begin in person, small group instruction, according to the CLP, on days they are scheduled in the building. **Updated**
- Categorical ASD & CI programs & Ancillary services (SLP, OT, PT, SSW) will continue in person instruction, K-12, according to the CLP, for *full days* Monday-Friday. **Updated**

Grade 6-12 & Post

- Secondary level (grades 6-12) Ancillary services (SLP, OT, PT, SSW) will continue via virtual sessions, according to the CLP **Updated**
- Secondary level (grades 6-12) Resource program will begin in person, small group instruction, on a sign-up basis, according to the CLP, scheduled 1x a week **Updated**
- Secondary level (grades 5-12) Emotionally Impaired program will begin in person, small group instruction, on a sign-up basis, according to the CLP, scheduled 1x a week **Updated**
- Categorical ASD & CI programs & Ancillary services (SLP, OT, PT, SSW) will begin in person instruction, K-12, according to the CLP, for *full days* Monday-Friday. **Updated**
- Post-secondary programs at Community Campus will continue in person instruction, 1/2 time, for full days. MOCI (Dykstra) Monday/Tuesday, ASD (Bokatjian) Thursday/Friday. **Continue until further notice**

Special education programs & services for Private & Parochial schools will begin in person instruction. **Updated**

Please note:

- ❑ COVID data and safety will be monitored & assessed for changes or adjustments to this plan, in accordance with the Governor, MDE, and Health Department.