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1. Description of maintaining health and safety of students, educators, and other school and LEA staff; generally if/how policies and practices are based on CDC safety recommendations:	Cherokee Charter Academy will monitor and follow all CDC guidelines and recommendations. CCA will communicate guidelines and policies to stakeholders.
2. Universal and correct wearing of masks:	According to CDC guidelines and recommendations, CCA will require all students to wear masks on buses until further notice. All students with a signed waiver will not be required to wear masks except on buses.
3. Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing (e.g., use of cohorts/podding)	At CCA, each grade level in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are located on a self contained all for that grade level. All grade levels attend specials within their cohort. Cohorts are not mixed. Classes eat lunch in their classrooms.
4. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:	CCA staff will teach their students proper hand washing and respiratory etiquette. Hand washing and desk cleaning times are built in to the daily schedule.
5. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation:	CCA facility will continue to be sanitized every evening after school hours. Air filters are changed on a regular basis. Outdoor spaces are utilized when appropriate at CCA.
6. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine:	CCA nurse will continue to report to health officials and school admin about COVID cases and quarantines.
7. Diagnostic and screening testing:	N/A
8. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible:	N/A
9. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies and practices:	CCA will provide appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities so that all health and safety policies and practices can be followed.

10. Coordination with state and local health officials: N/A

11. Response on continuity of services During the 2020-2021 school year, CCA offered face to face instruction 5 days a week. In 2021-2022, CCA will continue to offer this platform of instruction with added support from additional assistants. Smaller class sizes will be planned. Parent/Teacher meetings will be regularly scheduled. CCA has obtained a mental health professional who will be onsite twice a week to meet SEL needs of students and staff.

12. Response on ensuring periodic updates to plan In the event of changes in CDC guidelines, the School Improvement Team will review the plan and will solicit input from stakeholders via school notification system and social media. The plan will then be published on the school website.

13. Response on public input in development of plan The link for public input was shared with stakeholders via social media and the school webpage. Any public input will be taken into consideration when revising our ESSER III Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan.
