

School will look different this year. The purpose of these changes is to make schools safer and healthier for everyone. We will require your help and cooperation to ensure that our school runs smoothly and is a safe place for everyone. We ask that you follow the protocols that have been put into place. If you have questions or concerns please speak to one of your teachers, vice-principals, or principals.

## Health Checks

### **Prior to attending school:**

- Students complete a daily health check and ensure that they are healthy prior to coming to school. If students have symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID 19, or other infectious respiratory illness they should not come to school. They should seek assessment by a health-care provider and self isolate while they await the results.
  - For a list of symptoms of COVID-19, see the [BC Centre for Disease Control website](#).
- Students may still attend school if a member of their household has cold, influenza, or COVID-19 like symptoms, provided they are asymptomatic (do not have symptoms). As per public health guidance, it is expected that their symptomatic household member is seeking assessment by a health-care provider.
- If students experience seasonal allergies or other COVID-19 like symptoms, which are related to an existing condition they may continue to attend school when they are experiencing these symptoms as normal. If they experience any change in symptoms, they should seek assessment by a health-care provider.

**While at school:** If a student develops symptoms at school, they should let their teacher or other adult know and the school will:

- Provide the student with a non-medical mask if they don't have one.
- Provide the student with a space where they can wait comfortably that is separated from others.
- Contact the students and their parents/caregiver and request that they pick the student up as soon as possible.
- Encourage the student and their parents to seek assessment by a health-care provider.
- Request that the student stay home until COVID-19 has been excluded AND symptoms have resolved.
- Clean and disinfect the area's that the student had used.

### **To and From school:**

- If students are traveling to and from school by public transit they should be wearing a mask.

## The School Day

**Learning Groups:** A learning group or cohort is a group of students and staff who remain together throughout the school quarter and who primarily interact with each other. In SD43 this will mean the Learning Group will be a student's or teacher's one school dedicated class per quarter at secondary.

- At PMSS this will be the class that runs from 8:30-10:45.
- Students should make every effort to remain physically distant from others who are not part of their learning group.
- Refrain from touching others at all times, whether they are in or out of your learning group. This includes handshakes, high fives, fist bumps, and hugs.

**Entry to school:**

- Students will be able to enter the building at 8:20am. Please do not arrive earlier than this time. If students have an earlier class, arrangements will be communicated to them.
- If a student will be offsite for the second period of the day they should strive to arrive between 8:20 and 8:35 allowing them to take advantage of the first flex period of the day.
- If a student will be onsite for the second period of the day they should strive to arrive between 8:30 and 8:40. These students will be able to take advantage of the second flex period of the day.
- When students arrive to school for their first class of the day there will be three entrances available to them (see map at the end of this document). Students will enter using the door closest to their first period class.
- Students should maintain a 2m distance between themselves and others. Students should use the handwashing or sanitizing stations as they enter the building.
- Students will make their way directly to their first period class.

**Masks:** Masks should be worn by students when outside their learning group, and in common areas like hallways, learning commons, washrooms etc, due to the unpredictability of being able to maintain physical distance indoors. Students may wear their mask at all times if they wish. Teachers will inform students as to when it is okay to not wear their mask.

**Hand Washing/Sanitizing:** When entering the building students should wash or sanitize their hands at one of the portable handwashing stations or use the available hand sanitizer. Students should make sure to wash their hands at the following times:

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When Student Should Perform Hand Hygiene:	When Staff Should Perform Hand Hygiene:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ When they arrive at school.</li><li>▪ Before and after any breaks (e.g., recess, lunch).</li><li>▪ Before and after eating and drinking (excluding drinks kept at a student's desk or locker).</li><li>▪ Before and after using an indoor learning space used by multiple cohorts (e.g. the gym, music room, science lab, etc.).</li><li>▪ After using the toilet.</li><li>▪ After sneezing or coughing into hands.</li><li>▪ Whenever hands are visibly dirty.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ When they arrive at school.</li><li>▪ Before and after any breaks (e.g. recess, lunch). Before and after eating and drinking.</li><li>▪ Before and after handling food or assisting students with eating.</li><li>▪ Before and after giving medication to a student or self.</li><li>▪ After using the toilet.</li><li>▪ After contact with body fluids (i.e., runny noses, spit, vomit, blood).</li><li>▪ After cleaning tasks.</li><li>▪ After removing gloves.</li><li>▪ After handling garbage.</li><li>▪ Whenever hands are visibly dirty.</li></ul>

**Sanitizer Stations:** Sanitizer stations can be found at the main entrance, north entrance, south entrance, auto shop entrance, and entrance near the LRC (See map at end of this document). Students are encouraged and able to bring their own sanitizer with them to school.

**MPR:** This area will be used as a walkway. Tables should not be used by students unless supervised or directed by a teacher.

**Hallways:** We have created lanes in all hallways. Students should stay to the right and do their best to maintain physical distance – 2 m from others. Masks should be worn when in the hallway.

**Lockers:** Lockers will not be provided to the student body at this time. We may provide students participating in PHE a physically distanced locker.

**Washrooms:** Students should use the washroom closest to their class. If students are not able to maintain physical distance within a washroom, they should wait for others to leave the washroom prior to entering. Markers on the floor will indicate where students can wait. In an effort to keep washroom use orderly and minimize lineups, one student at a time will be able to leave their class to use the washroom. In some circumstances teachers may allow more than one person to leave a class at a time.

**Water Fountains:** These have been covered and are not in use. Please bring drinking water with you. We encourage students to bring re-usable water bottles and the bottle refill station near the gym will be available for use.

**Vending Machines:** These are covered and are not in use. Please bring food with you.

**Microwaves:** Microwave use will be greatly reduced to prevent congestion. Please plan your lunch accordingly.

**Cafeteria Service:** This is expected to open late in September. Operational details will be provided when confirmed.

**Garbage/Recycling/Organics:** Available and we encourage students to use these appropriately.

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**Cell Phones and Other Devices:** If possible try to clean these regularly.

**Seating in Classrooms:** Teachers will assign students seats within the classroom. Students stay in assigned seating and set-up so that students are staggered (students should not sit facing each other and directly across from one another in tables).

**Lunch:** Students will be able to stay in their learning group class during the lunch period. Once students leave their learning group space, they must maintain 2m distance from others outside their learning group. Students are responsible for properly disposing of any waste and leaving their space in good condition after eating. The field will be available for students to eat their lunch (physical distancing required). Hallways cannot be used for sitting, socializing, or eating as we must ensure that people can move freely and maintain physical distancing.

**Sharing of food or items:** At this time students cannot share anything with other students. This includes food, drinks, or school supplies. If a peer requires food or school supplies students should communicate this to their teacher. This includes even something as small as a pencil.

**Supplies:** It is imperative that students come to school each day prepared with supplies as students are not able to share items between one another. In some cases, the school will be able to provide learning materials however this can be greatly mitigated by students arriving with the materials they need.

**End of the Day:** Students should leave the school when they have no more classes and make their way directly home.

**Remote Learning Time:** When a student is enrolled in remote learning time, they are responsible for completing the tasks assigned. On a Wednesday, when all students are remote, teachers may decide to meet with the class online. If this is the situation the teacher and students will work together to decide on a time that works for everyone. There is not a requirement that you are signed in at 11:15, as we understand and realize that some students have to travel home, and this may take longer than our lunch hour.

**Counsellor and Vice-Principal Contacts:**

Alpha	Counsellor	Alpha	Vice-Principal
A-K	Cindy Campbell	A-Je	Mr. Morgan Breden
L-Z	John Gibney	Ji-Pi	Mr. Brent Taylor
IB Coordinator	Sean Lenihan	Po-Z	Ms. Sharon Starr

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**Bell Schedule:** Please note that we will not be ringing bells during the day.

<b>Block</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Th</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>0</b>	Before School	Jr/Sr Music Programs Scheduling details to come Sept. 10th				
<b>Flex</b>	8:30 - 8:45	Flex within Learning Groups				
<b>AM</b> Learning Groups (of 30)	8:45 to 10:30	A - Z				
<b>Flex</b>	10:30 - 10:45	Flex within Learning Groups				
Lunch	10:45 to 11:15	Jazz Band Scheduling details to come Sept. 10th				
<b>PM</b> Hybrid	11:15 to 1:00	A - L	M - Z	Online	A - L	M - Z
<b>Flex</b>	1:00 - 1:20	A - L	M - Z		A - L	M - Z
<b>IB 12</b> Learning Group (of 120)	1:20 to 3:50	Period 0	Period 1	Period 2	Period 4	Period 5

**Student Entrance Map with Sanitizer/Handwashing Stations**

