WELCOME BACK TO ÉCOLE GARDEN GROVE SCHOOL!

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WELCOME BACK!



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!

Hello Garden Grove families,

We have prepared these slides to help answer some of the many questions that you may have. The information is based on current health and safety recommendations from the Province and the Winnipeg School Division. Details and plans can change of course, depending on the changing COVID situation, and if they do we will keep you informed.

Much of school will look the same, but we do have some changes. All staff will be trained on these new protocols prior to school opening for students. Rest assured, we will be following all guidelines.

We really miss you and can't wait to see you next week!

OPTIONS FOR SCHOOLING:

There are only 2 options right now - to attend school or keep your child at home, registered through provincial home schooling.

Remote/distance learning is not available at this time, unless your child has a designated and approved medical condition. If this is the case, please contact the school for a form that your doctor must complete.

BEFORE YOU COME TO SCHOOL, THE CRITICAL ROLE OF FAMILIES:



- Caregivers must prescreen their child/children to ensure they are not exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms. Any student who is showing any symptoms (including runny nose, sneezing, coughing, etc.) must stay home.
- See this link for the screening tool: https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/
- Pack a water bottle with your snacks and lunch. Water fountains will not be operating at this time.
- Masks are required for all students in grade 4-6 and any grade 3 student in a ³/₄
 split class, when 2 metres distance is not possible please send a mask.
- Masks are strongly recommended for all other students please send a mask with your child regardless of grade, as all children will practice wearing their mask at certain times.
- Staff are required to wear masks when 2 metre distance is not possible.

ARRIVAL:



- Students will arrive no earlier than 8:45 am / 12:45 pm.
- Students will line-up at their designated pylon at their assigned doors, maintaining 2m apart.
- A staff member will greet students outside for screening.
- Parents/Caregivers will not be permitted inside the school at this time.

ASSIGNED DOORS:

- Front Door: Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- Back Door: Rooms 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 16
- Gym Doors (back of school): Rooms 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25
- Classroom Door: Room 10, 17



ENTERING THE SCHOOL

- Always use your assigned doors (before school, recess, lunch)
- Answer screening questions (if you pre-screen your children this process is much shorter).
- Walk straight to your classroom with your teacher.
- Wash hands with soap upon entry.



COHORTS:

Cohorts are groups of students (maximum 75) that will stay in the same part of

the building, and may have recess and lunch at the same time, and go to physical education and music classes on the same day.

Garden Grove Cohorts:

- French Gr. 1-3 Cohort 1: Rooms 5, 6, 8.
- French Gr. 3-5 Cohort 2: Rooms 13, 15 18
- French Gr. 5-6 Cohort 3: Rooms 17, 22
- English Gr. 1-6 Cohort 4: Rooms 10, 19, 20
- English Gr. 1-2-3 Cohort 6: Room 25
- All Nursery/Kindergarten Cohort 7: Rooms 2, 3

Waterford Springs Cohorts:

- French Gr. 1-3 Cohort A: Rooms 4, 7, 14
- French Gr. 3-6 Cohort B: Rooms 16, 21
- French Kindergarten Cohort C: Room 1

WILL THE CLASSROOMS LOOK DIFFERENT?

- Classrooms will mainly look the same.
- Some modifications are necessary to keep everyone safe. These include: seating at least 1 meter apart, less clutter, and the removal of carpet gathering areas.
- Student supplies will no longer be communal. Each student will receive their own school supplies.

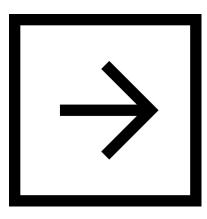
RECESS

We have made some changes to recess which include:

- Two recess times in the both the AM and PM
- Recess A Gr. 1-3 10:00-10:15/2:00-2:15
- Recess B Gr. 4-6 10:30-10:45/2:30-2:45
- Students will remain in cohorts during recess
- Students will have a designated play zone during recess and must stay in their zone. Zones will change each day to maximize accessibility for everyone.
- All cohorts will have their own recess equipment.

WALKING IN THE SCHOOL

- Please stay to the right (follow the arrows on the floor).
- Stay 6 feet apart (the arrows are set 6 feet apart to help you distance appropriately).



WASHROOMS:

- For grades 1-6, the washrooms will now be separated by cohorts. Nursery and Kinder each have a washroom in their own classrooms.
- Gym washrooms Room 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25
- Back hall washrooms Room 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14
- Only two students will be allowed in the washroom at a time.
- Spots on the floor will be marked to wait for the washroom if in use.
- There will be a system to monitor if the washroom is in use.

LUNCH HOUR

- If your child goes home for lunch, they will be brought to their designated doors to walk home or meet you. Again, please ensure your child is well, before their return to school for the afternoon.
- If your child stays for lunch they will remain in their classroom to eat.
- Lunch Program staff will ensure proper hand washing protocols are followed and all eating surfaces are cleaned and disinfected prior to eating and after.
- Lunch will be staggered, with half the students eating first, while the other half goes
 outside for recess. We anticipate that grades 1-3 will eat first however, there may be
 some shifting depending on the number of students staying for lunch. We will
 endeavour to keep the groups relatively equal in size.

INCREASED CLEANING/DISINFECTING:

- Our custodians worked very hard over the summer to make sure we are ready for a safe return. Thanks so much!
- They have an increased cleaning schedule which includes frequent cleaning of door knobs, faucet handles, electronic devices, washrooms, etc.
- All classrooms will have sanitizer and cleaning supplies as well.
- If a child in grade 4-6 forgets their mask one will be provided



APPOINTMENTS/EARLY PICK-UP



- Please call the office to let us know if your child needs to be picked up early so we can have them ready. 204-633-6477.
- Once you arrive please call the office and a staff member will ensure a safe meet up outside of the school.
- Parents will not be permitted in the school unless you have an appointment with a staff member or business in the office. In that case, please use our new buzzer system inside the main front door and the office will buzz you in.

PICK UPS

- Caregivers are asked to meet students outside of their designated doors.
- N/K students and primary students will be closely monitored and handed off for pick ups
- Staff will be available at the doors for assistance.



USING THE OUTDOORS:

- It is recommended that teachers use the outdoors as often as possible.
- Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather, including a hat and water bottle, rain jacket, warm clothes, sunscreen, etc.
- Physical education in particular, will be held outside all year, as much as possible. If it is cold or lightly raining, please dress your child in the appropriate clothing for them to be outside for their Phys. Ed. class.



WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CHILD BECOMES ILL AT SCHOOL?

- If a student develops symptoms at school they must go home immediately for the safety of others
- If ill the student will be removed from their classroom, given a mask, and will be isolated
 in a separate room while being monitored by a staff member.
- You will be called to pick up your child immediately.
- Once you, or a designate arrives, phone the school and a staff member will walk your child out to meet you.
- Once home, please contact Health Links at 204-788-8200 or your family doctor for further information on what to do.
- If a COVID-19 case is known we will follow directives from Manitoba Public Health Authorities.

BUSSING:

If your child/children require bussing please contact Winnipeg School Division
 Transportation at 204-789-0452 for more information regarding your child's circumstance



LEARNING:

- All Winnipeg School Division teachers will utilize WSD assessment tools, observations, and professional judgement to determine strengths, challenges, and next steps in student learning.
- Targeted instruction will be crafted to meet the learning needs of your children.
- The learning focus will be on literacy, mathematics, and student well being/mental health.
- Garden Grove will have Reading Recovery for French Grade 1 students
- To address recovery learning needs and any other learning need in literacy and numeracy, we have full-time, English and French literacy support teachers and a numeracy support teacher.
- We will continue to use STEAM to enrich learning. Our STEAM support teacher will work in the new Winnipeg SChool Division STEAM lab alongside two divisional STEAM support teachers.

STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH/WELL BEING

- COVID-19 has been tough on all of us. Student mental well-being will be talked about and monitored as students return to school.
- Staff will be trained on trauma informed classrooms.
- Garden Grove students will continue to be supported by Clinical Support Services (Psychology, Social Work, Speech and Language, and Literacy).



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Stay home if ill.
- Bring a water bottle.
- We strongly recommend wearing a mask. Mandatory usage in grade 4-5-6.
- Wash your hands with soap multiple times a day (e.g. start and end of the day, when using washrooms, before food prep/eating, when they are dirty, after wiping your nose, etc.).
- Keep 6 feet between yourself and others.
- Everyone must follow the guidelines to keep each other safe.
- No item sharing (food, water bottles, musical instruments, books, games, toys, etc.).



STAFF LIST & EMAILS

Garden Grove Staff

Rm 2: N/K - Mrs. Welsh pwelsh@wsd1.org

Rm 3: K FI - Mme Maxwell <u>imaxwell@wsd1.org</u>

RM 5: 1/2 FI - Mme Vincent <u>mvincent@wsd1.org</u>

Rm 6: 2/3 FI - M. Lokofo clokofo@wsd1.org

Rm 8: 1/2 FI - Mme Ducharme cducharme@wsd1.org

Rm 10: 1-2-3 - Miss Hill lhill@wsd1.org

Rm 13: 3/4 FI - Mme Prazeres dprazeres@wsd1.org

Rm 15: 3/4 FI - Mme Livingstone klivingstone@wsd1.org

Rm 17: 5/6 FI - Mme Janeczko cjaneczko@wsd1.org

Rm 18: 4/5 FI - Mme Ducharme miducharme@wsd1.org

Rm 19: 4/5 Mrs. McLure <u>imclure@wsd1.org</u>

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Principal: Mme Karpinsky nkarpinsky@wsd1.org
Vice-Principal: Mme Capina acapina@wsd1.org

Waterford Springs Staff

Rm 1: K - Mme Manicom chmanicom@wsd1.org

Rm 4: 2/3 - M Singh swsingh@wsd1.org

Rm 7: 1 - Mme Yozenko hyozenko@wsd1.org

Rm 14: 1 - Mme Foulis vfoulis@wsd1.org

Rm 16: 5/6 Mme Ciancaglini <u>lciancaglini@wsd1.org</u>

Rm 21: 3/4 Mme Frederique <u>mfrederique@wsd1.org</u>

Principal: M Silva msilva@wsd1.org

HELPFUL LINKS/RESOURCES

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning:

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Pages/default.aspx

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning Framework:

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Documents/WSD%20Framework%20for%20School%20Planning%20during%20pandemic%20WEB.pdf

Homeschooling Information:

https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/ind/homeschool/index.html

Return to School Information for Parents/Guardians

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/covid/k-12-reopeningplan-guideforparents.pdf

Parent/Guardian FAQs

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Documents/parent_guardian_fag.pdf

Restoring Safe Schools

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/covid/k-12-reopeningplan-guidance.pdf

CLOSING:

In closing, we want to say how excited we are to see our students again! These guidelines are set to best protect everyone and to keep everyone safe. We realize that some of these restrictions are not ideal and are a big change. We don't like asking parents/caregivers to stay out of the school, but we understand why we must do so.

We wish everyone a safe and exciting year of learning!

Nancy Karpinsky - Principal

Amanda Capina - Vice Principal

