



Back to School



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Welcome Back!

Hello École Sacré-Coeur Families,

Welcome back to school! We have prepared these slides to help answer some of the many questions that you may have. The information is based on current recommendations from the Province and the Winnipeg School Division. Details and plans can change of course, depending on the changing COVID situation.

There are only 2 options right now- to attend school or to 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.

Working together will help to ensure as smooth a reopening as possible. If at any time you have any questions or concerns, please call or email.

How Have We Gotten Ready



Classrooms

We have opened three new classroom spaces to reduce class sizes.

Classrooms have been set up to ensure as much physical distancing as possible.

Thorough cleaning has been done and will continue throughout the day and evening.



School

We have signage throughout the school reminding everyone about physical distancing and health protocols.

We have ordered supplies such as dividers for tables for our N-Grade 3 students.

We have also been supplied with masks, sanitizer and sanitizer stations and cleaning supplies.



Expectations

We are closely following the expectations from Manitoba Health, Manitoba Education and the Winnipeg School Division. Current mandates and recommendations are explained further in the following slides.

What Are Cohorts?

Cohorts are groups of students (less than 75) that will stay in the same part of the building, have recess together (in designated spots, and have lunch together. Lunch will be in the classrooms.



NK- Cohort 1

N/K students in Rooms 103 and 105 will enter through the front doors. We will ask parents to meet their teacher outside and to pick up outside at the end of the morning/afternoon.



Cohort 2

Rooms 104, 107 and 109 will form Cohort 2. These students will enter/exit through the playground doors.



Cohort 3

Rooms 114, 134 and 119 will form Cohort 3. These students will enter/exit through the portable classroom doors.

What Are Cohorts?



Cohort 4

Rooms 211, 214, and 215 will form Cohort 4. These students will enter/exit through the portable classroom doors once Cohort 3 has safely entered.



Cohort 7

Rooms 139, 140 and 141 will form Cohort 7. These students will enter/exit through the playground doors once Cohort 5 has safely entered.



Cohort 5

Rooms 205, 206 and 207 will form Cohort 5. These students will enter/exit through the playground doors once Cohort 2 has safely entered.



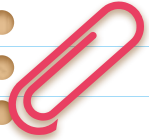
Cohort 8

Rooms 138, 142 and MPR will form Cohort 8. These students will enter/exit through the McDermot Ave. doors.



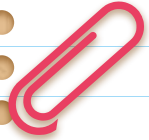
Cohort 6

Rooms 201, 202 and 203 will form Cohort 6. These students will enter/exit through the front doors once Cohort 1 has safely entered.



Before You Send Your Child to School

- **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. Parents should contact Health Links- Info Santé at 204-788-8200 for further guidance.**
- See this link for the screening tool:
<https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>
- If your child is tested for Covid-19 and are negative they may return to school 24 hours after being symptom free. If your child is not tested they should isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms. They may return to school after 10 days if they no longer have symptoms.



Before You Send Your Child to School

- Pack a water bottle. Water fountains will not be operating at this time.
- Masks are **mandatory** in school for students in Grades 4-8 as well as for **ALL** students riding the bus. They are strongly recommended in all other grades.

When Arriving at School

Lining Up Outside

- All students will meet their teachers in designated, physically distanced zones outside. Students in Rooms 138,142 and the MPR will meet outside the McDermot Ave entrance. All other students will meet at the back of the school.

Second Screening

- All students will undergo a second health screening before entering the school. It is imperative that children are healthy and symptom free. Any student who displays any symptoms will have to go home.

Separate Entrances

- Students will enter the school through the 4 different entry points according to their assigned cohort.

Parents/Guardians in the School

As much as we wish for an open school community- at this time Parents/Guardians are not to be inside the school. If you need to visit the school please call ahead to make an appointment.



Classroom Set-Up

- All classrooms have been set up to maximize physical distancing.
- Some protective dividers will be in Primary classrooms and all students in grade 4-8 are expected to wear masks.
- Classrooms and materials will be cleaned throughout the day.
- Students will have their own school supplies and materials.
- Soft materials and carpets will not be in classrooms at this time.

Bussing

- At this time, parents are being asked to drive their child to and from school, if possible.
- We are still waiting for confirmation about students who will be bussed, because of COVID restrictions and a possible strike.
- **Should the busses be running,**
 - **ALL** students will be expected to wear masks on the bus.
 - Students displaying any symptoms will not be allowed on the bus.
 - Students will follow arrival procedures once at school.

Recess

- Cohorts will have recess at the same time.
- They will however, have designated play areas. These will be rotated weekly.
- Each room will have its own recess equipment.
- Students will wash/sanitize their hands before and after.

Lunch

- All students will eat lunch in their classrooms. To accommodate all of our students there will be TWO lunch hours.
- Cohorts 2, 3, 4, and 5 will have lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.. Cohorts 2 & 3 will eat from 11:00 a.m. - 11:25 a.m. while cohorts 4 & 5 have recess in their designated zones. They will flip at 11:25.
- Cohorts 6, 7 and 8 will have lunch from 12:00 p.m. - 12:55 p.m.. Cohort 6 will eat from 12:00 p.m. to 12:25 p.m. while cohorts 7 & 8 have recess. They will flip at 12:25 p.m.
- Students will be reminded not to share any food.
- Students will wash/sanitize their hands before and after.
- Classrooms will be cleaned by lunch program staff before classes resume.

Walking Through The School

Reduced Traffic

As much as possible, all traffic in the hallways will be limited.

Cleaning

Cleaning will take place regularly, including door handles and rails.

Signage

Signage for physical distancing, hand washing and direction will be highly visible throughout the school.



Appointments

- Please do everything possible to ensure that your child is on time, in order to follow all of the arrival steps.
- Should your child be late, please call the school to inform us so that we can have a screener meet your child.
- Your child will be met outside the front doors and then walked in through the appropriate entry door.
- If your child is being picked up early, please call ahead so that we can have your child ready to go. Your child will be walked out to meet you through the appropriate door.



Dismissal

- At the end of the school day, Parents/Guardians and Daycare workers will meet their child/children outside at the designated exit points.
- Information on bussing will be updated on our school website once we have been given direction.
- In order to facilitate pick up at the end of the day Parent/Guardians are asked to arrive by 3 p.m.. Please be on time as there is no supervision. We ask that you do not enter the building but rather meet your child/children at their designated exit points.



Let's Get Outside!



- As we return, the province of Manitoba has 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 for heat and appropriate winter clothing for cold months.

What Happens If My Child Gets Sick

- If a student becomes ill at school they must go home immediately.
- The student will be brought to the office, given a mask if they don't have one and will be isolated while being monitored by a staff member.
- Parents/Guardians will be called to pick up their child immediately. Children must be picked up as soon as possible.
- Once you arrive, please phone the school and a staff member will walk the child out to meet you.
- If a COVID-19 case is known we will follow directive from Manitoba Public Health Authorities.



This has been a challenging time for everyone, including our children. Making sure that our students feel safe, calm and ready to learn is a priority.

- Our clinicians have partnered with staff to support students in their return to school and will also be available to support families.
- Staff will focus on supporting students who are experiencing all of the emotions and uncertainty this pandemic has created.
- Staff will continue supporting students through Zones of Regulation and Mindfulness initiatives.

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**Mental Health
and Well-Being**



Masks

All students in grades 4 to 8 must wear a mask - it is a mandate from Manitoba Public Health. Students will be provided a paper bag to place their masks during the lunch hour. We recommend that students have 2 masks at school everyday in case replacement is needed.

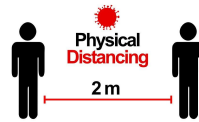
Please help your child to practice wearing a mask for extended periods of time. Social stories will also be prepared for students.

General Reminders

- At this time, students will be reminded that there should be no sharing of food items, personal belongings or school supplies.



- Students will be reminded to practice safe physical distancing inside and outside.



- We all must follow the guidelines to keep everyone safe. Stay safe ESC Scorpions!



Each student will be bringing their own school supplies. Please be sure to label ALL items with your child/children's name.

If you require a school supply list please contact the school office.

Helpful Links

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning:

<https://www.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Pages/default.aspx>

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning Framework:

<https://www.winnipegssd.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.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Documents/parent_guardian_faq.pdf

Restoring Safe Schools

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

Thank You



These expectations may of course change. Our school website will be updated regularly. Call us or email at any time. We sincerely look forward to seeing our École Sacré-Coeur students!

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