



RE-OPENING PLAN

A Guide for Students and their
Parents/Caregivers

First Day of Classes is Tuesday September 8th, 2020

Welcome Back Rockets! We have missed you!

Back to school will be different! You can learn more about the changes by reviewing the following slides with your parents and caregivers. Some things we will explain are:

- Sharing information
- Recess
- Visitors
- Breakfast Program
- Cleaning & Disinfecting
- Lunch Program
- Screening before school
- Bussing
- Arrival and Dismissal Routines
- Mental Health and Wellness
- Hallways and Common Areas
- Learning
- When a student becomes ill
- Helpful information and Resources
- Classrooms and Cohorts



How will I receive information from the school?

We will use a variety of ways to keep you informed with the latest updates. These can include any or all of the following:

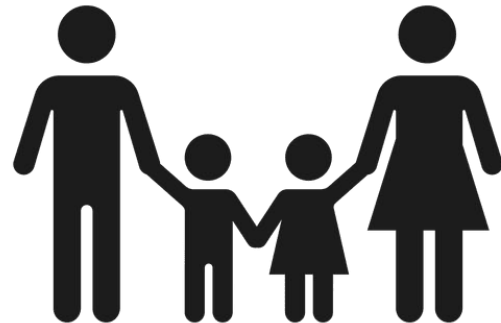
- School Messenger
- School website
- Email
- Phone calls
- Letters/notes sent home
- SeeSaw



Can my parent come into the school with me?

Due to the current restrictions, all visitors, volunteers, parents & caregivers will not be able to enter the school unless there is an emergency or the principal has made a special request to meet with your parent or caregiver.

If your parents or caregivers are invited into the school, they must use the front entrance and complete the screening test before entering the school.



Will the custodian be doing anything different to keep me safe?

Yes, absolutely! Our dedicated custodians are implementing a rigorous cleaning protocol to ensure the surfaces you touch will be free of germs. Frequent sanitization of the school with enhanced measures on frequently touched surfaces continues to remain a priority.

This means that all tables, push bars on doors, door handles, washrooms, sinks, windows and floors will be cleaned and sanitized regularly.



What do I need to do before I come to school?

- Use the screening tool to make sure you are not sick
- It is required to wear a mask if you are in:
 - a grade 3/4 split, or in Grades 4,5,6,7 & 8.
- Students in N/K – grade 3 are strongly recommended to wear a mask.
- Bring a filled water bottle that will last you all day.
- Don't forget your lunch if you are enrolled in the lunch program.



Before coming to school, all staff, students, and visitors must complete a self-assessment. *A visitor is someone who needs to come into the school to provide a necessary service inside the school (ie. Building Maintenance, Lunch Program Supervisors, etc.)*

What do I need to do before I come to school?

Your parents/caregivers will pre-screen you before you leave your home to make sure you are healthy.



An online Google screening tool will be created for parents. This tool will provide the school immediate feedback. Those who do not have access or do not complete the pre-screening will be screened at the school prior to entry. The links below will take you to your teachers daily online pre-screening tool.



RALPH BROWN SCREENING TOOL



What do I need to do before I come to school?

- When you arrive at school, your teacher will screen you every day to make sure that you don't have any symptoms of covid-19.
- If you have any symptoms such as a headache, runny nose, coughing, sneezing, fever, etc., a staff member will provide you with a mask if you do not have one, you will be asked to remain in another supervised area, and your parent will be called to immediately pick you up.
- We must do this to ensure everyone remains safe and if you are sick, you can get the rest you need to feel better.



What happens if I start feeling sick at school?

- If you start to feel sick while at school you must tell your teacher or an adult in your class right away. Tell them what you are feeling so that they can make sure you are ok.
- You may be given a mask if you don't have one and then be escorted to the medical room.
- An adult will stay with you at all times. You will notice that the adult will be wearing a mask and a face shield. They may ask you questions again about how you are feeling. There will be a bed for you to lay down on so you can rest.



What happens if I start feeling sick at school?

- Just to be safe, your parent/caregiver will be called and will need to pick you up right away. This is very important so that we can prevent others from getting sick.
- If a staff member develops symptoms while at work, they will also be immediately sent home.
- If a COVID-19 case is known we will follow directives from Manitoba Public Health Authorities.



Arrival & Dismissal

What time should I arrive at school? How will I know where to line up?



ENTRY

You should arrive at school **no earlier than 8:50 AM** in the morning.

In the afternoon, you should arrive no earlier than **12:55 PM** after lunch.

There will be no one outside to supervise you if you come sooner and it is important that you don't mix with students from other cohorts.

Morning Arrival



ENTRY

When you arrive at school you will look for your teacher in the playground and line up with the rest of your classmates. Your group of classmates will be called a **cohort**. So if you are in P6 for example, your cohort will be called Cohort P6.

Your parents can wait for you outside until your teacher takes you in but they need to remember that they also need to practice physical distancing. This means they may be asked to wait in the field 2 metres apart from other parents.

Morning Arrival - I have more questions!

Which doors do I use to come into the school? Do we all go in at the same time? Can my parents come into the school with me? Can they come into the school if they arrive early when they come to pick me up?



Your teacher will escort your cohort into the building once everyone in your cohort has been screened.

Physical distancing measures will be in place as you make your way into the school. Each cohort will be separated by a minimum of 4 metres so that your cohort does not cross or intersect with another cohort.

Unfortunately your parent/caregiver will not be able to come inside the school at anytime but you can give them a big hug and a wave before joining your cohort!

Morning Arrival - I have more questions!

Which doors do I use to come into the school? Do we all go in at the same time?



ENTRY

- Students in P2, P3, P4 will enter & exit the building using the **P6 doors**
- Students in P1, N/K, and Ms. Gorings class will enter & exit the building using the **primary doors**
- Students in 104, 105, 106, 107 will enter & exit the building using the **intermediate doors**
- Students in the MPR will enter & exit the building using the exterior **MPR doors facing the playground.**
- Students in the library will enter & exit the building using the **intermediate doors**

Once inside you will be instructed to wash or sanitize your hands before starting the school day.

End of Day Dismissal

Do I use the same doors when I leave at lunch time or when school is over?

Students will wash/sanitize their hands before leaving the building.

Teachers will escort their students outside at dismissal through the same door you came in.



End of Day Dismissal

Where will I meet my parents/caregivers when they come to pick me up at lunch time and after school?



If your parents/caregivers come to pick you up, they must wait outside, physically distanced on the field until you are formally dismissed by your teacher. It would be a good idea to find a certain spot where you meet your parents or older sibling everyday, to make it easier for you!



This means your teacher will let you know when it is time to leave your cohort.

What will I notice when I come inside the school?



There will be some changes in the way we move around the building. Some rooms will be permanently closed and some classrooms may be moved to a larger space for learning.

You will also notice some new things around you, like coloured stickers on the floors, and signs with important reminders on the walls.

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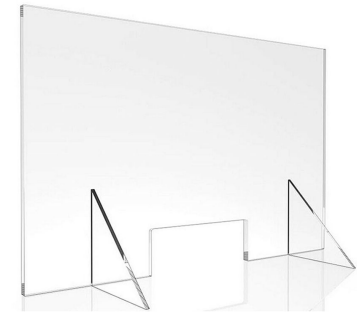
Floors will be marked with stickers to designate one-way traffic flow and identify two metre distances when lining up.



Signs on the walls will remind you, your friends, and the adults in the building of how to practice safe distancing, hand washing, what to do if you feel sick, and the proper way to cough. These signs are one way of making sure we reinforce the safety protocols in our school.

What will I notice when I come inside the school?

If you are in the office, you may notice a plexiglass shield on the main counter. If your parent is asked to meet with someone at the school, they may also notice a shield placed on the table.



The hallways will not be busy. Only one cohort at a time will be allowed in the hallway in each zone (primary and intermediate) so that we avoid intersecting with other cohorts.



What will I notice when I come inside the school?

Teachers will move across classrooms instead of students. This means your Phys-ed teacher will come to your classroom when it is time for Phys-Ed.

Lockers will not be used by students at this time.

Water fountains will be covered and turned off. You will need to bring your own filled water bottle. Please make sure that this is ready before leaving for school in the morning!



Will the classrooms look different?

Some of your classes may be moved to a larger space like the library or the multi-purpose room



If you have a small cohort, you may be in the same classroom but there will be less furniture and your teacher will make sure you and your classmates are seated at least 1 metre apart.

Will the classrooms look different?

You will always remain in your cohort for all instruction. Your teacher may even take you outside to do your learning.



All Physical Education classes will take place inside your cohort classroom or outside if it is nice out and taught by Mr. Karpenko.

What else should I bring?

Please make sure you bring a light jacket or sweater to school every day, just in case the weather changes while you are at school. You will be outside every day while it is still nice enough to learn outside.

The gymnasium will be considered for future use once the weather becomes too cold to be outside.



What else should I bring?

School supplies: Your parents or guardians will pay \$40 for school supplies so that they don't have to buy them at the store.



Instead, your teachers will purchase your school supplies. You will not be able to share your supplies once they are assigned to you.

Will I still get recess if classes are outside learning?

The answer is YES!

You will have recess twice every day but it will look very different and new **rules** will be put in place to make sure that we are always staying safe and taking care of one another.

We are very fortunate to have a very large playground. Our field is large enough to have several cohorts outside at the same time while still being able to keep them safely distanced apart.

We are also lucky to have a partnership with the Recreation Centre. They have graciously offered us to use their space for recess times.

Let's Play!!



Will I still get recess if classes are outside learning?

The answer is YES!

Recess will occur twice daily however times will be staggered to accommodate a maximum of two cohorts at once. This means for some cohorts recess will be as early as 9:30 AM and in the afternoon they may start as late as 3:05 PM.

Your teacher will sign up your cohort for two of four zones to use in the morning, and then switch playing zones with the other cohort for the afternoon.

You will be provided time for a washroom break before recess so that you won't need to go while you are outside.



Will I still get recess if classes are outside learning?

The answer is YES!

When you are outside you must always stay with your own cohort. Your teacher will be outside to supervise you to make sure you are playing safe and you are not moving to another zone.

Each classroom will be assigned a recess bin filled with equipment which will be disinfected before you use it again.



Uh oh! I forgot to have breakfast this morning!

No problem!

We are not able to offer the same breakfast program before school but we can still make sure that you have something nutritious to eat to get you ready for learning each day!

The breakfast program will be combined with the school wide snack program to service all students. Breakfast/snack will offer pre-packaged food and delivered mid-morning to all classrooms.



Lunch Program

We are very fortunate to have a Lunch Program which is provided by the Parent Council. If you are enrolled in the lunch program it is very important to remember to bring a lunch. You will remain in your cohort classroom to eat your lunch.

All supervisors must pre-screen themselves prior to arriving at school. Prior to entering the school, they will be screened by the clerical staff and required to sanitize their hands.



DON'T FORGET TO PACK YOUR LUNCH!!



Lunch Program

Supervisors who are assigned to grades 4-8 cohorts must wear a mask. Those assigned to younger grades are strongly encouraged to wear a mask.

Lunch supervisors will follow the same cleaning, washing/sanitizing hands protocols being used by the school. Each cohort will be assigned one lunch supervisor. You will sanitize/wash your hands before eating your lunch at your desk.



Lunch Program

The schedule will be different than what you are used to. The older students will take their outdoor break first and then eat. The younger students will eat first and then go outside.

12:10 PM – 12:30 PM

- Grades 3-8 outside break
- Grades 1-2 indoor for lunch

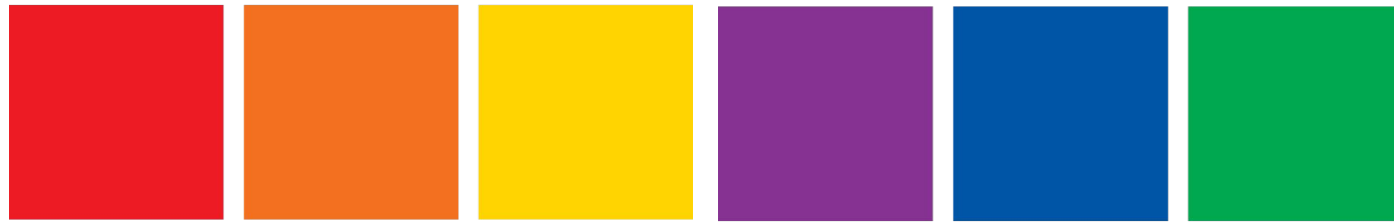
12:35 PM– 12:55 PM

- Grades 1-2 outside break
- Grades 3-8 indoor for lunch



Lunch Program

When outside, supervisors will remain with their cohorts at all times in a designated zone.



Grade 3-8 students will remain in their cohort classroom prior to the beginning of afternoon classes. Supervisors will remain in the classroom until your teacher arrives with the remaining students.

Transportation

If you are enrolled in the Ukrainian Bilingual Program you may normally take a school bus to get to and from school.

Parents of students enrolled in the Ukrainian Bilingual Program who would normally be bussed to and from school, will be contacted by the Transportation Department. Guidelines outlined in the **WSD Framework for School Planning During Covid-19 Pandemic** will be enforced.



Mental Health and Wellbeing

We recognize that you and your families may have experienced some stress due to the pandemic.

Your social-emotional health and well-being is important for learning. We want to provide you a gentle, safe and caring return to school.

This means we will provide the necessary services and carry on with already established practices in order to ensure that you are supported and cared for each and every day!



Mental Health and Wellbeing

It's time to get back and blast off our Ralph Brown Rocket!

Be Safe!

Be Respectful!

Be the best that you can be!



Mental Health and Wellbeing

Social-Emotional Learning will be a primary focus throughout your learning. All students will be supported with current school wide practices and programming which include



THE
ZONES OF
REGULATION



In School Learning

With the early suspension of classes, we anticipate learning will be a little more challenging.

Your teachers will work hard to get you back on track to be where you need to be and help you target the learning gaps in numeracy, literacy and social emotional learning.



In School Learning

All students will be assessed in the fall to find out reading, writing and math levels. Your teacher will use that information for planning to help bridge any learning gaps that may have resulted.



Music will be taught by your classroom teacher this year!



General Reminders

Stay home if you are sick. This is our best defence from the virus entering our school.



**#STAY HOME
STAY SAFE**

General Reminders

Masks must be worn for students in Grade 3/4 split classes and all grades 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 as well as all adults in the



General Reminders

Bring a filled water bottle every day.

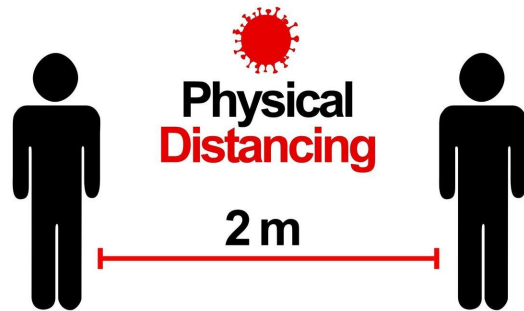


Wash your hands with soap many times per day.



General Reminders

Practice safe physical distancing inside and outside.



No sharing of food, personal items, or school supplies.



General Reminders

We all must follow the guidelines to keep everyone safe. Go Rockets Go!



Helpful Links and Resources

Winnipeg School Division Pandemic planning

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

WSD Framework for Planning

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

Parents Frequently Asked Questions

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

Province of Manitoba Welcoming Our Students Back: Restoring Safe Schools for Parents

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

Province of Manitoba Welcoming Our Students Back: Restoring Safe Schools

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/restoring/rss-practice-guidance.html>

Home Schooling

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

