



# ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Argyle Families,

With guidance from the Provincial Health Officer, and in accordance with the [Ministry of Education's K to 12 Education Restart Plan](#), school districts will be able to offer students the option to return to in-person instruction on a part-time basis, starting June 1<sup>st</sup> and for the remainder of the current school year.

The K to 12 Education Restart Plan is a five-stage approach for resuming in-class instruction in a safe and measured way. On June 1<sup>st</sup>, school districts across the province move from stage 4 (the current model which sees the majority of students in remote/online instruction) to stage 3. During stage 3, to minimise the risk of Covid-19 contamination, the total number of students from grades 8 through 12 who will receive in-class instruction will be kept to an overall 20% of the school population.

Given that the return at stage 3 entails a 20% student population maximum, a return to a full rotation of a student's timetable is not being considered at this time. Instead, our School District priority at the secondary school level is to maintain a robust and remote learning environment, while providing focused instructional opportunities to enhance remote learning as required by students and teachers. The majority of students are therefore encouraged to continue working with their teachers who will engage them in remote learning opportunities.

For those students who do choose to return to in-class instruction, they can expect to work with teachers who will provide tutorial and small group instructional opportunities based on student need and interest. The intent of these tutorials is to support the remote learning process and target learning needs.

In general, the need for in-person instruction in stage 3 is anticipated for:

- students who received recent interim reports that indicated extra help was required
- students with complex medical and/or developmental needs
- students with social, emotional and mental health related needs
- students who are at risk of not passing a course / graduating
- students who are struggling in a remote learning environment

This may include students who do not have formal Ministry of Education special education designations, and does not preclude any student from requesting and receiving some direct in-person instruction, as long as it is reasonable to schedule.

Furthermore, students with complex special needs will be eligible for full-time (five days / week) in-class instruction. We ask that in these cases, families contact your child's Learning Support Teacher to arrange for extra support.

Students will continue to receive communication from their teachers through the *Learning at Home* program. Families can expect that students will receive additional communication from Argyle administration on the restart plan no later than May 28<sup>th</sup>. In the interim, please refer to the attached [FAQs](#), which offer insight into our Health and Safety Protocols, and necessary precautions to keep our students and staff safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Jonat". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kim Jonat  
Principal