



"Home of the Thunderbirds"

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends,

I hope that you and your family are doing well. Life at school is full and rich and wonderful! We have entered the mid-point of second term and classrooms are fully engaged in learning and continuous assessment.

Health and Safety Updates

The BC Centre for Disease Control has a new website with information and resources about health and safety measures in K-12 schools, student and staff safety, and what happens when there is a COVID-19 case in school: www.bccdc.ca/schools

Families and students can find up-to-date information about K-12 schools at:
<https://www.gov.bc.ca/safeschools>

The B.C. K-12 daily check app can be found at the following addresses:
Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bc-k-12-daily-health-checker/id1547334827> Google:
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.qp.k12App>

From the BCCDC FAQ's:

Should my child wear a mask at school?

Masks provide protection to the person wearing them and to those around them. Children over age 2 can safely wear masks.

If your child is in middle or secondary school, they should wear a mask on buses and indoors at school except when:

- sitting or standing at their seat or workstation in a classroom or learning space,
- there is a barrier in place, or
- eating or drinking.

If your child is in elementary school, they don't have to wear a mask at school or on the bus. Talk to your child about if you'd like them to wear a mask, and where you'd like them to wear one.

Your child is welcome to wear a mask at school more often, however this is a personal, family choice. Talk to your child about when you'd like them to wear a mask and we will support them wearing it.

Will I be contacted by public health during contact tracing if someone in my classroom tested positive?

Sometimes a staff member or student tests positive for COVID-19, but public health determines they weren't infectious at school. As there is no additional risk to anyone at the school, public health does not contact the school or provide any notifications to the school community.

If public health determines the person who tested positive for COVID-19 was infectious at school, they may include members of the school community in contact tracing. Who public health talks to is determined on a case by case basis and the information they collect during their interviews.

Public health contacts everyone who they think may be a close contact of the person who tested positive by phone call or letter. If public health completes contact tracing and determines you are not a close contact, they will not contact you.

Transfer Requests

Are you thinking of a school transfer request within the NVSD? Are you a grade 7 student looking to apply to an out of catchment high school?

The priority transfer time period is on now, January 18, 2021, to March 5, 2021 at 4 pm.

The staff at Central Registration will accept transfer requests during this priority period for **students currently attending a North Vancouver School District school** who wish to attend a different NVSD school or program for the 2021-22 school year as per the following:

- Grade 7 students who would like to attend a secondary school other than their designated receiving school (see feeder/receiving school list below)
- Students wishing to change their current program from French Immersion to English
- Current English Kindergarten students wishing to attend the Grade 1 French Immersion Program (lottery for applicants used to determine entry)
- Students wishing to attend a different NVSD school

Here's the link:

<https://www.sd44.ca/Schools/StudentRegistration/New%20Registrations%20and%20Transfer%20Requests%202021-22/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Coming up next:

- Feb. 15: Family Day Holiday
- Feb. 16 - March 12: Grade 4 and 7 students will be writing FSA's. Teachers will be sending home a schedule.
- Feb. 23: District-wide Lockdown Drill at 10am
- Feb. 24: Pink Shirt Day
- Feb. 26: NVSD Professional Day. No classes in session for students.
- March 5th: Report cards published to the Portal
- Week of March 8th: Parent/Teacher Conferencing. Details to come.
- March 9 and 10 there will be **Early Dismissal at 2pm** in support of P/T Conferencing. Make arrangements for safe pick up for your child(ren) now. ☺
- March 15 to 26: Spring Break
- March 29: School resumes!

It is my hope that this information is useful and helps with your planning. If you have any questions please call the school.

Sincerely,

Lisa Upton

Principal, Carisbrooke