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## Parent Reopening FAQ

More information of Frequently Asked Questions can be found at the NVSD website of BC's Restart Plan: K to 12 Return to School. Below are FAQs for parents that are particular to our school's reopening plan.

1. **What will school "look like" for my child starting June 1?** BC's PHO has provided all schools with a clear framework of no more than 50% of the student population at the school at any given time. The Ministry of Education has provided the following framework:

### K-5 Cohorts

- Cohort A will be in attendance on Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:51 to 3:00
- Cohort B will be in attendance on Thursdays and Fridays from 8:51 to 3:00

### 6-7 Cohorts

- Cohort C will be in attendance on Tuesdays from 8:51 to 3:00
- Cohort D will be in attendance on Thursdays from 8:51 to 3:00
- All students will be provided with educational continuity through distance learning from home on Wednesdays.

More details to daily school life are outlined below, and your child's classroom teacher will be in touch with you by 4pm Thursday, May 28.

2. **Health:** Parents and caregivers are required to assess their child **daily** for symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory disease before sending them to school. Please use the BC Covid 19 Self-Assessment tool. Staff will also be Self-Assessing prior to work.

This is the link: <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/>

Once students are welcomed into the building, they will begin with hand-washing. Hand-washing will occur regularly throughout the day and staff will do reminders for students. PPE is not required at school and the

school will not be providing it. Families may send students with a small personal size hand sanitizer if they wish. This is up to parental discretion.

**3. How do I know which cohort my child will be in?** Your child's classroom teacher will send more details about their respective classroom and Cohorts on Thursday, May 28.

**4. How many days exactly will my child be attending school in June?** Children of essential services workers and priority learners will be offered school full time Monday to Friday from 8:51 to 3:00 for the month of June. The majority of students in K-5 will attend eight (8) days of school in the month of June.

**5. How many kids will be in class with my child?** Your child will be with no more than 50% of their peers. Teachers are currently working on creating two separate class lists.

**6. What will the school hours be starting June 1?** We will have regular school hours from 8:51 to 3:00.

**7. What does drop-off and pick-up look like?** Students will meet their classroom teacher on the field. Students will be dismissed from the field as well. Please do not have your children come early or be picked up late. For this system to work, everyone must be on time. Please schedule your children's appointments on days they are not attending. We ask that all students stay at school for lunchtimes.

**8. Am I able to switch my child's cohort?** We acknowledge this will be a challenge for some families, and understand that each family has unique circumstances. All of us, including parents, are obligated to follow the guidelines of the PHO and we cannot exceed the 50% capacity of student population nor the return to in-class instruction framework. Unfortunately, we are not able to take requests from families regarding the days your child is in session. We are trying to have siblings attend classes on the same days to support families and minimize travel to and from school, unless otherwise communicated. There has been a lot of planning at the school level to make sure we are safely reopening and do not exceed the 50% capacity. Therefore, it is imperative that your child comes to school on the days they are assigned.

**9. I want to wait and see what schooling looks like during the first week of June. Can I send my child to school in the second or third week of June?** Yes, we are here to support whatever decision you make. You can send your child or stop sending your child whenever you feel and whatever works best for your family; we will respect your decision. We do ask that you please let your child's classroom teacher know your decision, and come to school only on the days your child is assigned. **No unannounced arrivals please.** We need to make sure we are within our 50% capacity and that the classroom composition does not exceed 50%.

**10. If I do not send my child to school, how will my child receive an education?** Teachers will be providing educational continuity through distance learning, but it will look different from April and May as teachers will be providing in- class instruction for up to 80% per week. On Wednesday of each week, teachers will be providing distance learning opportunities through various means, as they have been these past few weeks. Please connect with your child's classroom teacher for more details.

**11. Will my child be behind if I do not send them to school in June?** No, every child is where they should be and teachers will continue to provide educational continuity to their students. We do recommend that your child continue with educational continuity from home if you decide not to send them to school. In September 2020, there may be an opportunity for review and extra practice in certain subjects, and those discussions will occur as we move forward through the current situation.

**12. What does my child's classroom set-up look like?** As outlined by the PHO, each classroom will look as normal as possible with physical distancing measures in place. Students will be in their own desk and not in pairs or groups. Teachers will review safety measures with their parent and student community, and may decide to send a picture of what their respective classrooms look like.

**13. What does recess and lunch look like?** Kids will be going outside to play on a modified schedule. All students can play games with physical distancing in place. Contact activities and shared play equipment are prohibited. We will be supporting a "pack-in/pack-out" plan for all food as we want to limit the times students get up to throw food in the organic receptacles. All uneaten food and food waste will be sent back home with your child. For these breaks, students may bring items that they can enjoy individually such as sidewalk chalk (ground only), skipping ropes, ball (no group games).

**14. Can I come into the building to drop items off or pick my child up?** No. All doors will be locked, including the front door. Parents who wish to come to the school will need to phone the office.

**15. Will the children be having lessons outdoors?** Yes, teachers will be taking students outside for part of the day, so please have your child dressed for the weather (rain or shine).

**16. What supplies should students bring?** Teachers may add specific information through their communication with you on Thursday, May 28th, however we ask that students pack in and out their supplies daily, not leaving anything in the classroom, so that custodians have better access to clean the learning environment. Students should bring basic learning materials to school on a daily basis and then take them home at the end of each day.

**17. If I send my child(ren) back to school, will they be in the same class with the same teacher?** Wherever possible, classes will stay with the current teacher; however, there is the possibility that children may not have their regular classroom teacher or classmates.