

Welcome Back Message

On behalf of the staff I would like to welcome you to the start of the 2020-2021 school year. We are very excited to be back at school and to see all of the students we have missed so much! If your family is new to our Winston community, a special welcome to you as well. We look forward to working with your family!

Over the past few weeks, we have been working diligently to develop plans to ensure a safe and enjoyable return to school. Although things will look a little different this year, we remain committed to ensuring that your child has a positive experience with us.

Mrs. Josie Gordon, Principal

Enhanced Safety Measures

Enhanced measures will be put in place this year. There will be increased sanitization of high-touch areas and materials. We will have caretakers on duty for extended hours, and our cleaning protocols have been enhanced. Our staff will be wearing masks whenever they are in common areas in the school, and when physical distancing cannot be maintained. All students riding the bus are required to wear masks. While at school, all students in Gr. 4 - 6 are also required to wear masks when in the hallways, common areas and washrooms. They may remove their masks when they are in their classrooms during individual desk work time. Students in Kindergarten - Gr. 3 are encouraged to wear masks, but it is not required. We will be spending time teaching students about physical distancing, not sharing personal items, such as food and supplies, proper hand-washing and how to travel safely in the hallways. Hand sanitizer will be made available in all classrooms and also at all school entrances. Students will have scheduled times to engage in hand-washing in addition to washing after using the washroom.

Students Displaying Covid Symptoms

Daily Check prior to coming to school

It is very important that we work together as partners between home and school. It is expected that parents will do a daily check of their child for symptoms of Covid-19 and not send their child to school if they are displaying any symptoms.

While at school

Staff will also monitor students while at school. If a student develops symptoms at school or upon arrival at school, the student will be isolated from other students in an unoccupied classroom and the parent or guardian will be notified to pick up the student immediately. The student will be supervised by a staff member while in the isolation room.

Drop Off & Pick Up If Driving: In Front of the School on 27th Street. Please do not do a U-turn on 27th St. Use 46 Ave.to do a loop around to pull up along the front school sidewalk. Thank you.

School Specific Protocols and Procedures Before School Arrival:

Students Walking	Bus students	Parent drop off
Arrive after 8:30 and proceed to your homeroom.		8:30 Last name A-L
		8:35 Last name M-R
		8:40 Last name S-Z

After School Dismissal:

Students Walking	Bus students	Parent pick-up
Students will head directly home at 3:10.	:10. Bus students will load onto their buses when the buses arrive at the school.	3:00 Last name A-L
		3:05 Last name M-R
		3:10 Last name S-Z

^{*}Thank you for ensuring your family follows these procedures at the scheduled times. This will allow for more physical distancing when our students are entering the building. Students must arrive no earlier than 8:15 a.m.*

Recess Time

Students will still go outside for recess mid-morning and mid-afternoon. Our playground will be divided into sections, and students will only access one section each recess along with their class and one or two other classes. This will keep their contact with other students more limited. Over the course of each week, your child will have the opportunity to play in each area. All classes will also have an assigned door for whenever they are entering or exiting at all times throughout the day.

Lunch Time

To maintain our smaller groups of students out on the playground, we will have two lunch schedules:: Half of our students will eat in their classroom during the first half of lunch, while the other half will play outside. Mid-way through our 45 minute lunch hour, the groups will switch with a transition in between to avoid hallway and entrance/exit congestion. Please note that microwaves will not be available for students.

School Supplies

Please plan to send along a water bottle with your child. They can refill their bottle during the day, however, our water fountains will be closed. You may also wish to send an individual-sized hand sanitizer and pocket-sized Kleenex packages. Please omit the Kleenex boxes on the supply list. Also, it is VERY important that all of your child's supplies are labeled with their name prior to their arrival at school. Thank you!

Busing

Busing will be available for Winston Churchill students. All students will be required to wear a mask on the bus, regardless of grade. In order to ride the bus, students must be registered and sit in their assigned seat. All buses will have enhanced cleaning measures in place between runs and routes.

Extra curricular activities & Out-of-school Care & Supports

At this time, all field trips and extra-curricular activities are postponed. There will also not be any before school care. Counseling support is available for any students requiring mental health and social/emotional support.

Your Child's Teacher & Classroom Routine

All parents will receive an email from your child's teacher during the week of Aug. 31st - Sept. 4th to let you know which class they are in, to introduce themselves and to provide you with more information about their plan for the first day of school (greeting your child so they know where to find their classroom, what your child can expect in class, etc.). We are unable to post class lists inside the school this year.

For further details on the reopening of LPSD schools, please refer to the <u>Reopening LPSD Schools Plan</u> on <u>lpsd.ca</u>.

RETURN TO SCHOOLS Safety Measures

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REOPENING LPSD SCHOOLS PLAN

PHYSICAL DISTANCING



In order to limit contacts, cohorts will be created and the number of teacher exchanges reduced. Staggered entry/exits and breaks will be in place. Directional signage around school to encourage physical distancing

DAILY SELF-ASSESSMENTS & ILLNESS POLICY

Families, students and staff to self monitor and must stay home if they are sick or have symptoms. Schools will designate an isolation area for students or staff who become sick while at school. Parents/caregivers to pick up students promptly if they become sick.

MASKS



Mask will be required for staff and students in Grades 4-12 where physical distancing cannot be maintained. LPSD will provide two reusable cloth masks with disposable masks available at schools. All visitors and guests will be asked to wear masks while in the school.

HAND HYGIENE

Staff and students will practice frequent hand washing and sanitizing. Hand sanitizer will be placed in common areas and classrooms.



TRANSPORTATION



Buses will be cleaned/sanitized between runs and masks will be required by all passengers.

Parents/caregivers are encouraged to transport children when possible.

ENHANCED CLEANING



Frequent and enhanced cleaning/sanitization with increased attention to high points of contact, shared equipment and commonly used areas.



For more information on the Plan please visit:

LPSD.CA



DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING UNEXPECTED OR WORSENING SYMPTOMS?

Fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, chills, headache, runny nose, conjunctivitis, nasal congestion, muscle or joint aches and pains, loss of sense of smell or taste, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of appetite or fatigue.

YES OR NO

IS YOUR CHILD EXPERIENCING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?

Severe difficulty breathing, severe chest pain, having a very hard time waking up, feeling confused, lost consciousness, short of breath at rest, inability to lie down because of difficulty breathing, or chronic health conditions that you are having difficulty managing because of your current respiratory illness.

YES OR NO

WAS YOUR CHILD EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN CONFIRMED AS HAVING COVID-19 WITHIN THE LAST 14 DAYS?

YES OR NO

IN THE PAST 14 DAYS HAS YOUR CHILD RETURNED FROM INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL?

YES OR NO

CAREGIVER INFORMATION

Caregivers are required to conduct a daily selfassessment for children in their care to determine if they are healthy and able to attend school.

If your child answers "YES" to any of the above questions, begin self-isolation immediately. Contact Public Health at 8-1-1 for guidance and inform your child's school that they will not be in attendance.

If your child begins exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 while at school you will be asked to pick them up immediately.

Children who regularly have symptoms that may be mistaken for COVID-19 symptoms are encouraged to provide a medical note to the school so that the teacher and necessary staff are aware.

To access the Saskatchewan Self-Assessment Tool please visit the Government of Saskatchewan or access with this QR Code