

Eaton Arrowsmith School White Rock September Restart Plan:

August 26, 2020

Last week, we submitted our intended restart plan to the Federation of Independent Schools (FISA). FISA has reviewed our plan and submitted it to the Ministry of Education on our behalf. While much of our restart plan is similar to our plans from June's reopening, some things may have changed, and we have new families at our school now as well so in the interest of clarity, and as required, here is the main information you need to be aware of from our intended plan. Please note that these plans may change as needed at any time, so we'll need to be flexible as new recommendations and requirements may be put into place over the school year from the Ministry of Education, BCCDC, health authorities, and WorkSafeBC.

First Day of School:

Our first day of school is Tuesday, September 8th, 2020 as we will have more than adequate time for staff training and preparation in the weeks prior to opening to students. Staff will be on site to adapt the learning space as needed. We will also be reviewing and meeting to discuss BCCDC, WorkSafeBC, Ministry of Health, and Ministry of Education guidelines, our school's health and safety plans, the school's policies and procedures.

Summary of safety / cleaning protocols:

Our plan contains many of the elements from our June restart plan:

- Cleaning and disinfecting of high touch areas 2 times per day
- Visual reminders to physically distance where possible are provided for students and staff
- Hand hygiene stations are in every room and in common areas, as well as the entrances to the school
- Schedule changes have been made to allow for adequate time for hand washing
- Physical changes to desk / computer lay out
- Parents will be provided with a screening /self assessment check list and will be expected to screen their children daily before bringing them to school (screening form and information on this will be sent to families before the start of school)
- Staff check in with students prior to entering the school to see if they feel well. If they don't they will need to go home.
- We will provide sanitizer before entering school.
- Students will wash their hands after entering the school
- Updates to our illness policy and handwashing policy (which will have the most current versions posted to our website here: <http://www.eatonarrowsmith.com/policies-and-procedures/>)
- Isolation procedures and plans are in place for if a child or staff member begins to show symptoms at school

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- Windows in classrooms open and will be open as much as possible
- We have requested that the filtration be changed on our school ventilation system by our the building management
- New staff or volunteers will need to review the same guidelines and materials as our staff should they join us mid-year
- Visitors are limited to the school, and all visitors are required to wear masks while in the space if students are present and to confirm before entering the school that they do not have any symptoms of COVID-19

Learning Groups / Cohort:

- Our school does not need to adjust too much to implement learning groups, as our enrollment, and maximum capacity is well under the cohort size maximum of 60 students and staff in stage 2.
- Our curriculum and programs are not expected to change due to the learning group / cohort requirements
- Should staff from other sites be present at our school, they will be asked to physically distance, and wear a mask when interacting with anyone in the cohort in space that they cannot physically distance.

Continuity of Learning (should Ministry stage switches be required):

- While we expect to be able to continue to offer our in-person classes in stages 1-4, particularly because our student body is small and our students all have diverse abilities / disabilities, we are prepared to pivot quickly should required.
- All classes will be set up on Microsoft Teams to provide continuity of learning for students who are learning from home if we are required to or if students are required to self-isolate.
- Arrowsmith program has been adapted to being taught and administered remotely via our Arrowsmith platform and Microsoft Teams.
- We will practice remote learning with our students, in class, to help prepare them for this should remote learning be needed.

Communication Plan:

- We have a plan to keep you informed throughout the year.
- Reading your email from the school is of great importance, so we will try to limit the number of emails we send you.
- We will flag important for your review with the language "For Information" and action items "For Action"
- Any information about active cases in our school community released to the public would need to go through the public health office, not the school

That summarizes our restart plan that we've submitted for approval. Should we make any changes to our plan based on feedback from the Ministry of Education, an updated plan will be sent out to families and posted.

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Guiding documents and information:

- <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergarten-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/k-12-education-restart-plan.pdf>
- <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/covid-19-return-to-school/five-stages-framework>
- <https://www.worksafebc.com/en/about-us/covid-19-updates/covid-19-returning-safe-operation/education>
- <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/childcare-schools>

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