



# NOTRE DAME SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians;

As you are likely aware, updates to the COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools were released yesterday. The full document can be found on the BC Government website at

[http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID\\_public\\_guidance/Guidance-k-12-schools.pdf](http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/Guidance-k-12-schools.pdf)

Notre Dame School has been diligently following all guidelines and requirements as outlined by the Provincial Health Officer, the Ministry of Education, and the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control, and will continue to do so. The above document can be viewed for more detailed information.

The new protocols will be in effect immediately. The changes that impact elementary schools include:

- Staff are required to wear a non-medical mask at all times, both within and outside of their learning group, except when:
  - Sitting in (or standing at) their seat or desk/workstation in a classroom or learning space
  - There is a barrier in place
  - Eating or drinking
  - Outdoors
- Singing is only permitted when staff and students are 2m physical distance following the guidelines. Masks are an added layer of protection for teachers and students but should not replace physical distancing or transparent barriers.

## Daily Health Checker

The Ministry of Education has worked with Public Health and the BCCDC to create a daily health check website and mobile app that students and parents can use to complete before heading to school in the morning.

- [Mobile enabled website](#)
- [iPhone app](#)
- [Google Android app](#)

Please remember to complete a daily health check before sending your child to school.



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Please continue to monitor your child daily for key symptoms of COVID-19 and keep them home from school if they exhibit any of these symptoms or are unwell. Key symptoms include:

- Fever
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

Staff and students are reminded to stay home when sick.

Thank you for your continued patience and support as we continue to work through this pandemic. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely

Your Partner in Education,

Colleen Richard

Principal, Notre Dame School