



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION PLAN



SURREY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
EDUCATING FOR WHOLENESS

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Public Health Measures

Attendance and Record Keeping

Practices are in place to:

- Maintain daily attendance records for staff, students, and visitors (including teachers on call, itinerant teachers/specialists, district/authority personnel, parents/caregivers, and volunteers). Daily attendance records will be kept for at least 45 days.
- Maintain accurate class and bus lists.

Environmental Measures

Ventilation and Air Exchange

- All HVAC systems are operated and maintained as per standards and specifications and are working properly.
- Portable air conditioners and fans are only used in ventilated spaces, with air moved from high to low.
- Risk mitigation strategies are identified for excessive heat events or times of poor air quality.
- Opening of windows is encouraged if weather permits and it does not impact the functioning of ventilation systems.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Frequently touched surfaces (those touched by larger numbers of people) are cleaned and disinfected at least 1x/day. Surfaces touched by fewer people are cleaned 1x/day.
- Practices are in place to clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces when they are dirty.
- Other general cleaning occurs in line with regular practices.
- Practices are in place to clean and disinfect any surfaces a person's body fluids have contacted after they have displayed symptoms of illness.

Administrative Measures

Gatherings and events:

School extracurricular and social gatherings and events (including those occurring within and between schools) are in line with those permitted as per relevant local, regional, provincial and federal health recommendations and orders.

Staff Specific Considerations:

WorkSafe BC guidance for workplaces is used to determine measures for staff-only spaces and/or for non-school spaces operated by the school district/authority.

Staff-only gatherings (e.g., meetings, professional development days, etc.) occur in line with those permitted as per relevant local, regional, provincial, and federal public health recommendations and orders for workplace gatherings and events and any related WorkSafe BC guidance.

Visitors, including itinerant staff, temporary teachers on call, parents and others:

Processes are in place to ensure itinerant staff, teachers on call and visitors are aware of the school's communicable disease plan and their responsibility to follow measures at all times.

Curriculum, Programs and Activities:

For music and physical education (and other subjects as necessary), prevention practices specific to the activity are implemented (e.g., cleaning mouth pieces and water bottles between use).

Local and international field trips occur in line with those permitted as per relevant local, regional, provincial, and federal public health recommendations and orders for local and/or international travel.

Bus Transportation:

- Frequently touched surfaces are cleaned and disinfected at least 1x/day. Surfaces touched by fewer people are cleaned 1x/day.
- Practices are in place to clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces when they are dirty.
- Other general cleaning occurs in line with regular practices.
- Practices are in place to encourage bus drivers and passengers to practice hand hygiene before and after trips.

Food Services:

Food services (e.g., meal programs, cafeterias, fundraisers, etc.), are following regular operational and food safety practices.

Community Use of Schools:

Community use of school facilities is aligned with related public health guidance, recommendations and orders.

Water Fountains:

The use of water fountains is not limited.

Personal Measures:

Stay Home When Sick/What to do When Sick:

Staff and students are regularly reminded to stay home when they are sick.

Symptoms Develop at School:

Practices are in place to appropriately respond when a staff member, student, or other person develops symptoms of illness while at school.

Returning to School after illness:

Health care provider notes (i.e., a doctor's note) are not required to confirm the health status of any individual, beyond those required to support medical accommodation as per usual practice.

Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette:

Hand cleaning facilities are available and accessible throughout the school and are well maintained.

Personal Protective Equipment

Masks:

- Masks are optional and available for those who have forgotten theirs.

Supportive School Environments:

Personal Prevention Practices:

There are regular opportunities for staff and students to wash their hands.

Personal Space:

Staff and students are encouraged to consider and respect others personal space. Personal space is the distance from which a person feels comfortable being next to another person.

Positive and Inclusive Approaches:

Positive and inclusive approaches identified to support students' personal prevention practices.