

# KEEPING OUR SCHOOLS SAFE: UNIVERSAL, TARGETED & INTENSIVE MEASURES

With the high number of COVID-19 cases in the Surrey and White Rock communities, and the corresponding likelihood of exposures in our schools, it's important that all staff and students continue to closely follow established health and safety protocols.

The district will be implementing a continuum of measures to mitigate the effects of exposures and prevent transmission in our schools.

## Universal

*Measures that apply to all schools*

### Secondary

- All staff, students, and visitors are required to wear a mask at all times when inside a school (with exceptions)

### Elementary

- All staff, visitors and Grade 4 to 7 students are required to wear a mask at all times when inside a school (with exceptions)
- All Kindergarten to Grade 3 students are strongly recommended and encouraged to wear a mask when in the school

### District-wide

- No adult face-to-face meetings in a closed office. Informal face-to-face staff interactions should be less than 10 mins & physical distancing should be maintained at all times
- Minimize platooning/combining classes in cohorts in elementary
- Organize classroom space to maximize distancing and reduce face-to-face interaction
- No visitation by district staff to school sites unless critical response or organized by principal
- All students and parents asked to leave grounds after school
- No external visitors unless essential for operation (e.g. deliveries, medical assistance)
- All StrongStart programs moved online
- Teachers regularly review health & safety protocols with classes
- District-wide early dismissal once per month to review health and safety plans make adjustments if needed



## Targeted

*Measures for schools with increased levels of exposures and/or where risk is considered higher*

- **Elementary** – establish outdoor zones of play and/or multiple recess and lunchtime breaks so no interaction between individual cohorts/classes, where possible
- All maintenance activities occur only outside instructional time unless essential (e.g. flood, power outage)

## Intensive

*Measures for schools where exposures have escalated or where clusters may be emerging*

- All staff rooms closely monitored for informal gatherings. Principals remind staff about importance of not gathering informally in any inside school setting
- Schedule all elementary prep at one time to eliminate adults moving across cohorts
- If multiple individuals identified in a class for self-isolation, work with MHO to define level of concern and target whole class for self-isolation