



Friday, May 29, 2020

Re: Re-opening of School to Face to Face Learning

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

We hope that you and your family are doing well. We would like to extend our appreciation for the support and understanding that our school community members have shown as we transitioned to remote learning following Spring Break. Your efforts have helped to ensure that student learning has continued over the last two months.

Thank you also to those who have responded to our survey. The information you provided has helped to assist in our planning for the weeks ahead. We have been busy preparing to welcome back those students who will be returning to the classroom for face to face learning beginning June 1. We look forward to seeing the staff and students at Matheson next week.

We write this letter to inform parents and families of the new routines they can expect at Matheson.

We have been planning for the return of students. Our plan is guided by our shared commitment to ensuring the safety of all our school community members. We will be reminding our students of the importance of following the guidelines around frequent hand washing, physical distancing and staying home if they are feeling sick.

Access to our building will be limited to students and staff unless prior arrangements have been made through the principal. This includes coming into the school to discuss issues with the administration or teachers, or to drop off lunches. Please ensure that your child has their school supplies and a filled water bottle.

We have put in place plans to help with physical distancing and minimizing physical contact. Physical distancing can be challenging in a classroom setting. All students and adults should seek to maintain a safe physical distance of at least 2 metres from others.

Please be reminded that parents and caregivers are responsible for assessing their child(ren) **each day** before going to school.

If your child is experiencing symptoms of the common cold, influenza, COVID-19 or other infectious respiratory diseases, please keep your child at home. Your child should not return to school until there has been an assessment by a health care provider, AND the symptoms have resolved.

When coming to school, please respect the physical distancing markers at the front entrance. Teachers will review the recommended Ministry of Health protocols daily for their classrooms and for entering and exiting of Matheson.

Scheduled students who arrive on Monday will be required to be under constant supervision by Matheson staff. Matheson counsellors and CYCWs are available only by appointments.

We are looking forward to welcoming students back into the building. We are in this together and appreciate your patience as we all get used to the changes in practice.

Sincerely,
LAM Administration
Please see below our new student schedule



LA Matheson Schedule: June 1 – June 19, 2020

Starting June 1st, students will be able to attend one session per day (1 hour) on Mondays (Period 1 classes), Tuesdays (Period 2 classes), Thursdays (Period 3 classes), and Fridays (Period 4 classes). Attendance is voluntary and classes will focus on offering support with work already assigned online. Teachers will reach out to students to sign them up.

We will do our best to accommodate students who need help beyond their scheduled time. Some will be contacted for additional opportunities for learning support.

Juniors (Grades 8-10)	Seniors (Grades 11-12)	Session #	Monday Period 1 Classes	Tuesday Period 2 Classes	Wednesday (X)	Thursday Period 3 Classes	Friday Period 4 Classes
8:30→9:33	8:35→9:38	1			Remote learning to facilitate deep cleaning of the school		
9:38→10:41	9:43→10:46	2					
10:46→11:49	10:51→11:54	3					
Lunch							
12:34→1:37	12:39→1:42	4					
1:42→2:45	1:47→2:50	5					