

Return to School Plan for Good Hope School

The following is **Good Hope School** return to school plan. Please note the return to school plan is fluid and may change as directed by Public Health, Manitoba Education and the Portage la Prairie School Division.

The following school plan will provide an overview of the procedures for the resumption of Level 1 In-Class Learning that will begin on September 8, 2020. For more detailed information please refer to the [Portage la Prairie School Division: Return to School Plan 2020-2021](#). If you have any question or concerns regarding the school plan please contact ***insert school principal and contact information***.

For our school community to remain safe it is very important that each day all students, families and staff complete the [self-screening tool](#) prior to entering the school.

Parent/Visitors to the school

Parents/Visitors will be required to contact the school in advance to make an appointment to enter the school. The outside doors will remain locked during the day and the doorbell will be used to gain entry. Parents will be made aware of pick up areas.

[Self-Screening](#) is required for all parents/visitors prior to entry. Please be aware of the screening guidelines that are posted on all entrance doors.

At this time, non-medical masks are required in schools for students in Grades 4 to 12, as well as for staff and visitors, when physical distancing of one metre is not possible.

When visiting all parents/visitors will be required to sign in and out of the building to support contact tracing.

Cohort Groupings

What is a Cohort?

A cohort is a group of students who remain together with their classroom teachers throughout the school day. The cohort will have limited direct contact with other cohort groups.

Cohorting means that students will enter and exit through separate entrances, staggered recess and lunch breaks, in order to limit contact with others. This strategy limits any potential spreading of the virus to the broader school community, should an outbreak occur and allows for contact tracing.

Cohort	Classes	Entrance/Exit
1	AM: K - 3	
2	AM: 6 - 8	
3	PM: 2 - 8	

Entrance, Recess, Dismissal Procedures

Entrance	Students arrive staggered to school in the morning.
Exit Recess	Students leave in their cohorts for recess.
Lunch	At lunch hour they leave school in their cohorts.
Exit End of the Day	When students leave in their cohorts at the end of the day.

Extreme Weather	On days when the weather is inclement students will stay in their respective classroom.
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Staggered Recess/Lunch Times

Fill in according to your plan, bold information should appear in all plans to maintain divisional consistency

AM Recess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade K-8 will have recess and stay on playground. • Not allowed to go in bush.
PM Recess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grades 2-8 will go out for afternoon recess and stay on playground. • Not allowed to go in bush.

Movement Procedures

Hallway movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each grade will stay in their classroom except for PE and specialized teachers will move to the homeroom of the grade they are teaching. • Staff will be visible in the hallways during transition times and will model movement during their transitions.
Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Education teacher will be teaching outside.
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will no music.
Home Economics/IA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be taught in cohorts
Staff Movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff movement – Staff will move throughout the entire school and may interact with different cohorts. As staff change locations, they will make sure to wash hands and sanitize regularly.

Communication

Communication with Students	<p>Students will be updated through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers will model transitions, expectations, and social distancing procedures during the first days of school. • Teachers will take students to their designated areas and have them practice. This will become part of the regular school reminders. • Information will be given through daily announcements. • Information/Graphics will be posted throughout the school.
Communication with Staff	<p>Teachers will be updated through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email • Walk-throughs
Parent/School Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone Call • Group chats

Health and Sanitation Procedures

Location	Procedure
Main Entrance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All individuals entering the school will complete a self-screening• Hand sanitizing station will be located at the entrance of the classroom.
Cohort Entrance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All students will sanitize when they enter and exit the cohort area.
Classrooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each classroom will have hand sanitizer and disinfectant• Regular handwashing reminders will be given• Classrooms and surfaces will be disinfected with a hydrostatic cleaner each evening, with deep cleaning.• Sharing of equipment will be limited.
Washrooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased cleaning protocols for student and staff washrooms will occur• Staff will monitor students as they enter and exit the washroom, limiting the number of students that are in the facility at one time• Handwashing and proper hand hygiene will be discussed and reminded regularly.