

THE KIKINO KICKER

September has come and gone! We are all glad to be back in school and are hoping that we will be able to complete a full school year. This newsletter contains a summary of the Covid-19 safety protocols that have been put in place in our school.

General Building Safety/Cleaning

-Northern Lights has hired an in-house custodian in each school. The custodian sanitizes high touch areas 3 times per day: light switches, door knobs, washrooms, boot rooms, hand rails and any other areas deemed high touch.

-The water fountains have been turned off and students use the bottle fill water station only.

-Students and staff sanitize/wash hands when they enter and exit the building. This happens in the morning, after each recess, and before they leave at the end of the day.

-We have social distancing dots in public areas throughout the school like outside the washrooms; one way arrows let students know which way to walk in the hallway; boot rooms and washrooms are limited to 2 students at a time or students from a single household.

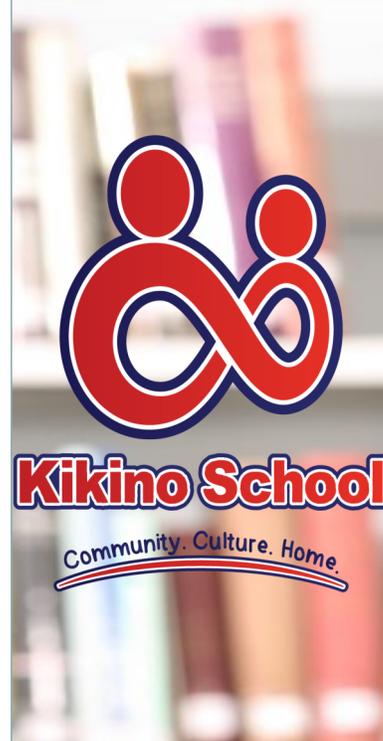
Cohorts

-What is a cohort? A cohort is a group of students that stay together throughout the day. At school, each class is a cohort. At home, all people who live in the same house are a cohort. To limit contact, students stay in their cohorts throughout the day.

-During recess each class is assigned an area outside the school for the day. The next day, the classes rotate to a different area.

Blended Programs

-Students on blended programs work mainly from home and attend school at minimum, once per week. Tuesdays are attendance days and work pick-up/drop off days for these students. Students who are sick and need to stay home for a few days can also have work sent home and work on a blended program. Teachers also use Google Classroom for work delivery on a daily basis.



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Bus Changes, Bus Info



There will be assigned seating on the buses to ensure cohorts of students are kept to a minimum for everyone's safety. Bus drivers wear a mask and will have masks on hand if students do not have one. There will be no transferring buses, students will ride to school on their bus and return home on the same bus.

If you have any questions or concerns please call transportation.

NLSD Transportation Department:

780-826-6038

or

1-877-826-6038

THANK YOU

-Students sit in family cohorts on the bus. The buses are loaded and unloaded one seat at a time to ensure distancing. At the end of the day, students line up in the school and load the bus by family. Once the buses are loaded, the students who are being picked up are dismissed by class and wait in the front lobby for pick up.



"Community. Culture. Home."

Daily Screening Tool

Please use the daily screening tool to see if your child is well to attend school. If you need another copy please call the school and we can send one home with your child. We have also posted it on our Facebook page.

Drop off and pick up

Please call the school if you are picking up your child. We will notify the teacher.

Students dropped off before 8:25 will wait in the library until the buses unload at 8:30.

Hot Lunch Program

-We still have our hot lunch program for students. Lunch is served in the classroom starting at 11:30. The staff and students sanitize their own eating area and the kitchen worker serves the students. When students finish they put their dirty dishes in a bin and the bin is collected by the kitchen worker.

Technology

-Students are assigned a Chromebook for use at school. Learning to use their e mail and accessing Google Classroom is important as students will need to be familiar with this in the event that school is cancelled.

Public Events/Concerts

-At this time, we will not be having any public events. What does this mean for events like Remembrance Day, Halloween Parade and Christmas concert? We are not sure yet as activities such as singing in groups is not allowed. We will send out more information regarding events closer to the event date or if Alberta Health Services modifies any guidelines.

Visitor Requirements:

All visitors who enter the school are required to wear a mask, sanitize their hands and will be met by the Admin Assistant who will be asking questions in regards to your health. If you answer yes to any of the questions you will not be able to enter the school. We will also take your full name and phone number in case AHS needs to call you for contact tracing purposes.

If a Child/student develops symptoms while at school:

- The child/student will be asked to wear a non-medical mask if they are able to, and be isolated in a separate room.
- A sick room is available and is sanitized after each use.
- School staff may utilize non-touch thermometers when a student is exhibiting symptoms.
- The parent/guardian will be notified to come and pick up the student immediately.
- The parents of the student will be encouraged to access COVID-19 testing by accessing the AHS Online testing tool.

Common Symptoms:

- fever
- cough
- sore throat
- conjunctivitis (pink eye)
- runny nose
- headache
- tiredness
- diarrhea

School Mask Guidelines

- Alberta Health Services has stated that wearing a mask is mandatory for students in Grades 4-8. Students do not need to wear masks while seated at their desk or if they are at a safe distance from others at recess.
- Students do wear masks while working with others, moving around the class/school, while playing with other students at recess, and on the bus.
- This is to ensure the safety of all individuals in Kikino School and our community.

Student Absences

- If your child is going to be away from school, please call and notify us of the absence.
- If your child will be away for several days, they can login to Google Classroom or we can provide you with a literacy/numeracy work package.

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Please do not send kiwis for snack as we have severe allergies in the school

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Kikino School Covid Safety Procedures Discipline and Responsibility Plan 2020-21

Students have ultimate responsibility for their choices and this includes behavior. We recognize the importance of time in establishing these procedures and practice with clear expectations.

When students follow the procedures outlined we can work together for a safer learning environment. We will do this by:

1. Daily announcements for reminders with Covid health guidelines
2. Have available masks, sanitizer, physical distancing dots
3. Thanking students for following the guidelines
4. Celebrating with students
5. Visual reminders throughout the school
6. Language use will be Moral Intelligence based: self control; kindness; conscience; empathy; fairness; tolerance; respect
7. Language use to include “5 is Against the Law” where:
 - 1 is expected social behavior
 - 2 is expected class behavior
 - 3 is unexpected behavior
 - 4 is behavior that is pushing safety limits
 - 5 is behavior that has impacted the safety and well being of others including self

Students who choose not to follow these guidelines...

1. Students will be reminded
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4. Students will meet with the principal and review the ‘why’ of these health guidelines
5. Parent phone call home to inform of student noncompliance with health guidelines and student will be sent home for a ‘reset’. We want our students here but not the behaviors that are unsafe.
6. If we need to continue “resetting” that we will
7. In conversation with student, teacher, counsellor, student support coordinator, family... we will decide if there needs to be a reduction in face to face attendance at school and for how much of a reduction. This conversation and decision will be fluid and done in partnership as students continue to adjust to pandemic changes in their school life.

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