

Back to School Update 4

Daily Schedules: Please keep in mind that these plans are flexible and any changes will be communicated to you. The Back to School Plan uses the word “cohort” this means a group of students who remain together with their classmates. We have put students to homerooms or cohorts for Plan A. An example would be Students in 701 will be in a cohort and students in 802 will be another cohort. Cohorts will be remaining in their class and teachers, will be coming to them for English, Math , Science, Social Studies, Core French/English, Healthy Living, Art and sometimes Family Studies. Phys.Ed, Band and Technology Education teachers will come and pick up the cohorts to take them to their teaching space. Teachers will be encouraged to take students outside as much as possible as indicated in the Back to School Plan. There a few occasions where will mix for specialist classes (Band and TE/Art/Family Studies) in these occasions, each cohort will enter and exit the classroom separately and use hand sanitizer enter and exit the room. They will be separate in their specialist classrooms as well.

In addition we have adjusted the way we enter and exit the building each day. Students in grade 7 go directly to their cohort area in the front of the building and wait there for their homeroom teacher to take them to their classroom each morning. You will notice orange spray painted boxes in the front of the building for each cohort. Grade 8 students will go to the back of the building to wait with their cohort/homeroom for their homeroom teacher to their classroom. Grade 9 students will enter the side of the building and will go their cohort area to wait with their homeroom teacher to enter the building. The same procedure will happen at the end of the day. Their last period teacher will take them to their cohort area to dismiss walking students and wait with bus students to board their bus home for the night.

All families will receive an email the night before school starts with their child homeroom and each cohort location will be clearly labeled so your child can get off the bus or walk and go to their location. Homeroom teachers will be waiting for them as they arrive. Physical distancing (2 meters/6 feet) significantly decreases the spread of the illness. Please share the daily schedule with your child.

As students enter the hallways, common areas there is signage to indicate: the flow of traffic, physical distancing reminders and entrance and exits.

Each day it is important student pack only the necessary items as they will be placing their back packs and jackets under their seat each day and taking them home every night. A “no sharing” policy will be in place. If we are sharing any learning equipment they will be cleaned/sanitized between uses. Students are encouraged to bring their own devices and store them in their back packs and are able to access them when teachers invite them to use them for educational purposes only. Students are encouraged to bring a full water bottle each day and will have access to a water fill station.

Bus Students

For the students that are bussed, please make sure you register and check Bus Planner. If you do not have an account, please click the link: <https://hrcetansportation.mybusplanner.ca>. Bus planner uses the current address you have on file.

Arriving and Departing School Property

Students are not allowed to remain in the building or congregate outside once they have been dismissed they must leave school property or wait in their cohorts for their bus. Yesterday, we sent arrival and departure times for students. Students should not be dropped off on school property before the arrival times.