



March 17, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Reminder from Chief Medical Officer: Parents who are able to keep children home this week are encouraged to do so. Please ensure you inform the school of the absence so we know your child is safely at home with you (this will not be required for the three week suspension of classes).

Students wearing masks:

Wearing medical masks in school is restricted to students who have exhibited signs of illness and are waiting to be picked up by a parent or guardian. Students who are anxious and want to wear a mask for protection will be directed to remain at home. Students who have symptoms of illness and are wearing a mask to self-contain will be directed to remain at home.

Breakfast Programs:

Schools will continue providing breakfast programs in schools until Friday, March 20, 2020. Staff are practicing all recommended health precautions such as good hygiene practices, the distancing of students when they are eating by providing options of more table space, taking breakfast to classrooms, staggering eating time to allow for space between students eating and ensuring thorough cleaning of all spaces after the serving of breakfast is finished.

Cafeteria Service:

Cafeterias are closed effectively immediately.

WSD Transportation has initiated the following steps:

- Nightly disinfection of all frequently touched surfaces on all school buses in the WSD transportation fleet.
- Parents are asked to keep their children off the bus and home from school if they are displaying any symptoms of illness such as running nose, cough, fever, sore throat.
- Bus drivers will report any students showing signs of illness to Transportation Dispatch and the school will be contacted so that the student can be met by a staff person and immediately isolated until a parent/guardian can pick them up.
- Bus drivers will make every effort to ensure students showing signs of illness sit alone, where possible.