

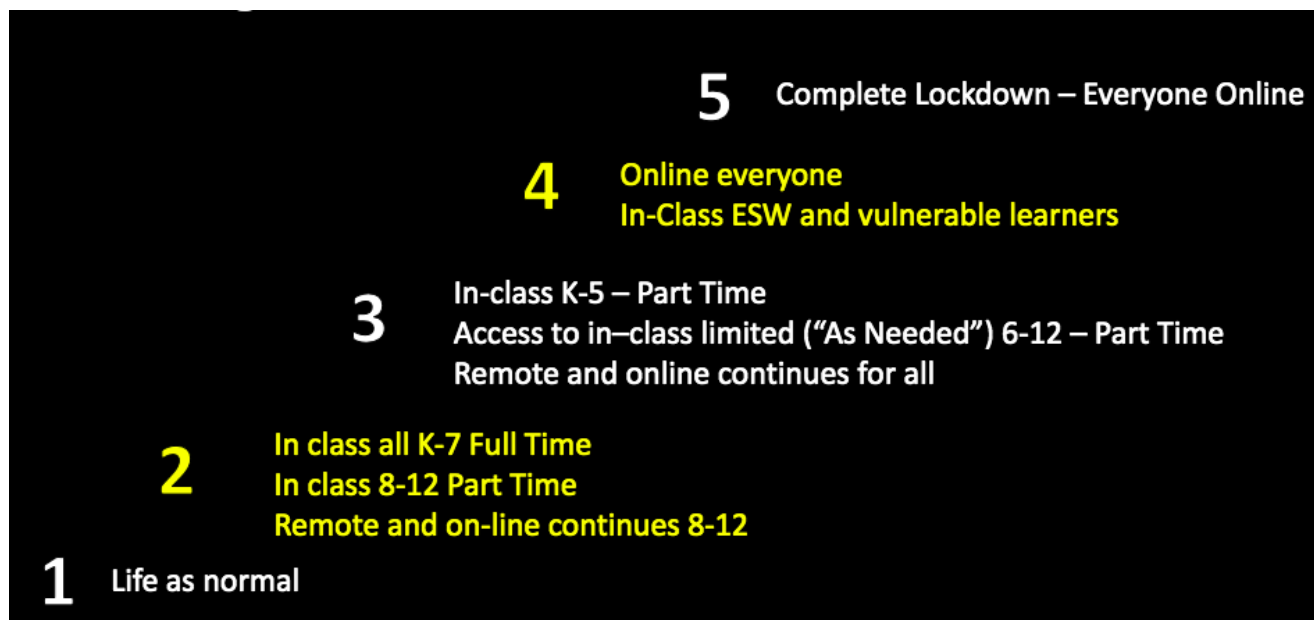


Dear Laronde Families,

We hope that this letter finds you all healthy and well. We are looking forward to starting our in-class sessions on June 1st. We miss our learners and our families! All learning will continue to be offered online during this time. Student attendance is voluntary and each family will make the decision that is best for them and their child(ren).

We wanted to explain how things will work as students come back to school.

We will be moving from stage 4 to stage 3 on June 1st. Each school will have a maximum of 50% of K-5 students in attendance at any given time and 50% attendance for grades 6 & 7 - 20% of the time.



Schools are open 5 days each week. In class sessions are available 5 days each week for **Tier 1 and Tier 2 essential service workers’ children**.

Students K-5 can attend for up to 2 days each week and students in grades 6 & 7 can attend for 1 day each week. If you need your child to attend for more days than the scheduled times please contact Mme Niro directly and together, we will look at each case individually.

Please note that in-class learning will be a continuation of remote learning. Below is a schedule example:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K-6 Group A	K-6 Group B	Deep Cleaning Day	K-7 Group A (no 6's)	K-7 Group B (no 6's)
ESW	ESW	ESW	ESW	ESW
Daily cleaning/disinfecting protocols	Daily cleaning/disinfecting protocols	Support for the blended online program for ESW	Daily cleaning/disinfecting protocols	Daily cleaning/disinfecting protocols

All students will be doing the same work (online and in person).

In order for us to plan and to know who will be at the school and when please have one parent/guardian complete this SURVEY so we know who will attend school next week and plan accordingly.

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The survey is intended as a starting point to help us plan for the number of students that may return for in-class instruction. We may have to make some minor adjustments if too many students attend on the same days. We recognize that your decision may change over time and we will try our best to accommodate any changes.

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Here are some Health and Safety Measures that will be put into place before June 1st.

In addition to the density targets, increased health and safety measures, as defined by the *Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings*, will be put in place to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

- students will have designated desks and will need to use their own supplies
- desks will be separated to maintain two metres physical distance
- the flow of people in hallways and bathrooms will be managed to minimize contact and maintain physical distance
- staggered start and end times may be introduced (depending on how many attend)
- recess and lunch times may be changed to allow for physical distancing
- students will be prevented from gathering in hallways or other common areas
- cleaning of high-touch surfaces like door knobs, toilet seats, keyboards and desks will occur regularly, and school buildings will be cleaned at least once a day
- students and staff will need to wash their hands upon entering the school and before leaving the school each day. There will also be multiple times each day when students and staff will be required to wash their hands. For example: before eating, after eating, before playing outside, after playing outside and after using the washroom.
- the school is well-stocked with hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies
- there will be increased outside time but no physical contact sports
- children will not be permitted to share food or personal items like phones, pens or pencils
- please ensure your children brings sufficient water for the day
- all snacks will be eaten in class before going outside and will be supervised by the classroom teachers. All students will be supervised by their own classroom teachers each lunch hour.
- playgrounds will be open for school use only
- there will be regular verbal reminders for children to minimize physical contact with their friends
- health and safety signage to remind children and staff to wash their hands, maintain physical distancing and practice appropriate respiratory etiquette will be displayed throughout the school
- staff will be required to stay home if they have symptoms of a common cold, influenza, COVID-19 or any other infectious disease
- parents will be asked to assess their children daily and to keep them home if they feel ill or have any symptoms of a common cold, influenza, COVID-19 or any other infectious disease
- if any student or staff member has even mild symptoms, arrangements will be made for that person to be returned home
- consistent with direction from the Provincial Health Officer, access to the school is restricted to staff and students only. Parents will be required to remain outside the school.
- as per the Provincial Health Officer's guidance, there is no need for staff or students to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). For those who choose to wear their own equipment, such as masks, their choice will be respected

Please note: School districts follow the direction of the Provincial Health Officer. If new guidance is issued in the coming days and weeks, there may be additions or changes to the above measures.

What to bring to school:

Students should bring: a hard or soft pencil case with scissors, 2 pencils, an eraser, pencil crayons, markers, a glue stick, a small personal toy that does not make noise is allowed, indoor shoes for students in K-3, a backpack to carry everything each day, a snack and lunch and a waterbottle that is full. Students should wear appropriate clothes for the weather, send an umbrella too – we will most likely need to send students outside each day for 15-45 minutes at a time, several times a day.

Students can wear a mask if they wish, although this is not necessary. We would like to ask families to make sure that they speak with their child(ren) about not teasing or making fun of any student or staff member who chooses to wear a mask.

Additional information about support:

In school support may look different for students as we may need to re-assign our LST, library, music teachers etc. as needed. Support for students continuing to learn from home may also look different as teachers and support staff members will need to supervise students who are at the school. We kindly ask for your patience as we transition to this combined online and in-class model. We want to support all of our learners as best we can.

We will let you know as soon as we are ready to have families pick up their children's belongings. We will coordinate this so that families can pick up items for all of their children at one time.

As I'm sure you can appreciate, this is a complex logistical process that will take a few days to complete once we have a better idea of the number of children returning for in-class instruction. Since the school team will be planning on Thursday May 28 and Friday May 29, there will be **no virtual lessons** on either day. As mentioned, **please complete the survey** (on page 2) no later than 10am on Wednesday May 27. We will communicate any additional information by **Friday May 29**.

Please visit the [Surrey School's Website](#) for COVID-related information and resources, including the latest updates and guidelines from the Ministry of Education and Provincial Health Officer.

If you have specific questions relating to your child(ren)'s situation, please call the school to speak to either myself or Mme Burden.

While we look forward to welcoming your child(ren) back into our school, we recognize this partial return to schools may be causing some anxiety and stress. Some of you may be fearful of sending your child(ren) back to school. We understand your concerns and will support whatever decision you make. Please know that the option to send your child(ren) back to school will be there when your family is ready.

In the meantime, thank you kindly for your continued understanding, patience and support.

Merci beaucoup,

Mme Niro and the Laronde Staff