PLANS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS



Surrey Schools has over 45,000 students in 101 elementary schools.

The district's plans outline how schools will reduce the number of in-person, close interactions students and staff will have in a day through set cohorts/learning groups and physical distancing. Key components include:









WHAT IS A COHORT OR LEARNING GROUP?

A cohort is a group of students and staff who remain together throughout a school term. Within the cohort minimized physical contact should be encouraged, but a two-metre physical distance does not need to be maintained.

A learning group could be made up of:

- A single class of students
- 2-3 classes depending upon numbers

A learning group can include staff, such as:

- Teachers
- Specialist support staff
- Educational Assistants

WHAT WILL MY STUDENT LEARN IN THE HEALTH & SAFETY ORIENTATION ON DAY 1?

On the first day of school, teachers will communicate new procedures including:

- Minimizing physical contact with classmates.
- How to safely enter and exit the school.
- The importance of cohorts and how to interact within your cohort and with individuals outside of your cohort.
- In some schools recess and lunch times will be staggered.
- The importance of hand hygiene and appropriate protocols.

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- Cohort limited class size wherever possible.
 Cohort size will not exceed 60 staff and students.
- Students will be in school full-time for face-toface classes 5 days a week.
- At some schools, start times, break/lunch times, and dismissal times will be staggered.