



Langdon School

Parent Information – September 11, 2020

Hello, Langdon School Families. Week with full attendance for in-school learners has come to a close. Working together, we had success! The students seem happy and parent feedback has been helpful and positive! We welcome the continued support from the community. If it's going well, tell others. If we need to improve, tell us!

Daily Health Check

Parent/guardians are required to complete the Daily Health checklist with your child each morning **before** leaving the house for the bus or school. The protocol is to be completed at home for each child. This is a required responsibility for all parents to assess health **prior to arrival** at school. We are all responsible for stopping the spread and mitigating risk in our schools. Click here for the [Daily Questionnaire](#).

Those with symptoms have an obligation to self-isolate (unless symptoms are typical) until tested negative AND symptoms have resolved.

Safety for all!

Students will be required to wear masks (grades 4-9) as they enter/exit the building, move in the halls, and while in common areas, bathrooms and in classes where distancing is not feasible. When students enter each day or after breaks/recess break/lunch, they will need to wash and/or sanitize their hands.

Infirmary

Students who display any symptoms of illness will be referred to the office and the infirmary. Should the symptoms be consistent with Covid-19, the parents will be contacted, and they will be required to come and collect the child within 1 hour. Staff helping these students will be wearing proper protective equipment to ensure their safety and the safety of others.

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Assigned Doors

Students and families are using the designated doors. Thank you! This has decreased congestion at the doors.

Entry/Exit **School start and continuing until further notice through assigned doors.

Entry Time

8:05 am – All students riding the bus

8:10 am – All students being dropped off via parent loop

8:15am – All students walking to school.

Exit Time

2:40 – Those walking

2:45 – Those on the bus and pick up

Lates

It is important that students arrive at school at their designated time for entry. We realize there are unforeseen circumstances that occasionally result in a child being late for school. If your child arrives at school after the last wave of students have entered, please direct them to the main doors where a supervisor will meet them and bring them into the school to ensure our attendance is accurate and they are accounted for.

School Supplies

[Click this link to access our school supply lists](#)

Class lists and Teachers

Students seem to have settled into classes. We reviewed class lists today and have fairly balanced numbers. Parent requests that were made in the spring have been considered and honoured for the most part.

Staffing Update

We have completed interviews for the Kindergarten and grade 8/9 teaching positions. As we wait for Human resources to finish the process, we will have the same substitutes in these classes next week.

Options for Grades 7,8 & 9

We are very excited to announce that Options for grades 7,8 & 9 will be starting Monday, September 14, 2020. We were working very hard this past week to make sure we could accommodate as many student preferences as possible.

Please remember that due to classroom restrictions and limitations on courses being offered, we are not able to accommodate all requests.

Term 1 Options will run from September 14, 2020 to November 27, 2020.

Term 2 Options will run from November 30, 2020 to March 19, 2020.

Term 3 Options will run from March 22, 2020 to June 25, 2020.

Visitors and Volunteer

Due to our current circumstances, and until further notice, volunteers and presenters will not be permitted to come into the school. We look forward to the time when we will be able to welcome back all the visitors and volunteers as they enrich the learning community in countless ways.

Staggered Entry for Grades 1-9

At 8:05- bus students are to enter the building through designated doors.

At 8:10 – students who are dropped off are to enter through the designated doors.

8:15 – walkers and remaining students are to enter through the designated doors.

All students are expected in their classes by 8:30 for attendance. The grade 8 and 9 students have a homework/wellness block first period every day. This is part of their teaching time and they need to attend this class.

Staggered Exit

2:40 pm (M-Th); 1:05 pm (F) – All students walking home

2:45 pm (M-TH); 1:10 pm (F) – All students being picked up via parent loop

2:45 pm (M-TH); 1:15 pm (F) – All students riding the bus

Parent Drop-off and Pick-up

Parents, thanks for your cooperation on the parent loop drop off. We appreciate you dropping your children and moving out of the loop, easing traffic congestion.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no drop off or pick up permitted in the staff parking lot or the bus loop.

Playground Hours

A little clarification... During the school day, 8:00- 3:30, the grounds and play park are for school use. We welcome public use after 3:30. Please remember, pets are not permitted on school grounds between 8:00-3:30, for the safety of people and pets.

Meeting with Staff

Parents are a vital part in the education of their children. As such, there are times when it is beneficial for parents and teachers or other staff members to meet. For now, where possible, we may hold these meetings virtually as arranged by staff members or parents. Any face to face meeting may occur with the prearranged permission of the principal. All face to face meetings will take place after students have left for the day.

Item Drop Off

Forgotten lunches? Shoes? Homework? On occasion, parents need to drop off items for their child during the school day. We will have a cart at the front entrance where you can leave items that are clearly marked with the child's first and last name. We will ensure they are delivered to the child as soon as we are able.

Breakfast Program

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions we are unable to provide the made in-house delicacies that students looked forward to each morning the past two years. However, starting Monday, each classroom will have a basket dropped off containing a limited quantity of pre-packaged items (granola bars, fruit leather, yogurt tubes, cheese strings, etc.).

Lunch Breaks and Recess

We know students of all ages benefit from fresh air and unstructured play. Our younger students (Grade 1 – 5) will receive a daily physical activity (DPA) period every morning followed by a snack break. Our older students (Grade 6 – 9) will have a morning break. These DPA and breaks have been staggered to reduce the movement in and out of the school while providing students an opportunity to reset and get ready for more learning.

ALL Students will eat their lunch in their homerooms. Exceptions to this will be those Grade 7 – 9 students that have authorized off-campus passes. **Please note, students leaving school grounds during lunch must remain at home or off campus grounds until the end of the lunch period.**

Appointments

There may be times when you need to pick up your child during instructional time. In the past, parents have come into the school to sign-out their children. This is no longer possible. If your child needs to leave for an appointment during the day, please email the teacher and copy our secretary (ewolfenden@rockyview.ab.ca). We will do our best to have your child ready to go when you arrive at the main doors for pick up. Students may return to the school through the front entry after appointments in order to maintain learning, where time permits.

