

September 17, 2020

Dear King David Parents,

We now have six full days of school under our belt, everyone is back in school, and it's really feeling like we've hit a good rhythm to start the year. There is a very positive feeling in the building among staff and students alike; we're all glad to be back together and at school even with the obvious changes to our "normal".

Your children have been outstanding. They have been flexible, understanding and extremely helpful in working together to ensure our COVID safety measures are followed. They're all wearing masks but it's pretty clear there are smiles underneath.

Today, we are publishing an updated version of our school's Stage 2 Exposure Control Plan (ECP), which we would ask you all to review together with your children. Throughout the year, as the Ministries of Health (MHO) and Education (MOE) and the Public Health Officer (PHO) make adjustments to provincial protocols, we will update our ECP. To view the updated ECP click [here](#).

In this updated version, changes will be highlighted in grey. Updates include:

- New guidelines for staff and students to follow when ill
- Clarification on physical distancing within and outside cohorts
- Updates to the Daily Health Check and procedures for staff and students who become ill at school.

There is also a new Appendix which outlines the steps Public Health will take in the event of a school-related, confirmed COVID-19 case. We feel very confident in the safety measures and hygiene protocols here at school; though, we must be prepared that there is a chance that COVID-19 will still be inadvertently contracted by a member of our community. As such, we want you to be aware of the process for communicating to you should this occur.

Please note, in this instance, public health determines the timing and order of its protocols including contact tracing and communication. King David has a legal obligation not to communicate directly with parents, students, and faculty unless specifically authorized by the MHO. Nor can we disclose the name, grade or other private information of a student or staff member. We understand this may cause some worry; please know this is the procedure all BC schools must follow. There also may be information that is released through personal social media, including from those directly affected. Please know that official school communication will come as quickly as provincial regulations allow. However, whatever the case, we all must work together to maintain our safe, caring community, treating those affected not with fear or mistrust, but with kindness.

We are very grateful to all our students and families who are working together with us to support all our safety protocols.

Thank you for taking the time to review our updated ECP.

Shanah Tovah,
Alex