

## Message from Chris, Kennedy - Superintendent of Schools / CEO August 28, 2020

Last week I shared with you that we had submitted our draft Restart Plan to the Ministry of Education, and today I am pleased to let you know that our plan has been approved. The overview I shared with you last week is unchanged. Secondary school families have now received more detailed information from their schools. Elementary school families will be hearing directly from schools by the end of this week with specifics about the orientation days on September 10 and 11 and the schedules and routines for the first full week of school (Sept. 14 -18). Our COVID-19 Safety Plan has been posted on our website **HERE** 

## **DPAC Event**

West Vancouver DPAC will be hosting a virtual Townhall for all West Vancouver Schools parents on Wednesday, September 2nd from 3-4 PM. Board Chair Carolyn Broady, Superintendent Chris Kennedy and VCH Medical Health Officer Dr. Mark Lysyshyn will provide information about the Return to School Plan.

Please forward any questions to DPAC Chair Kelly Richter at <a href="mailto:dpac@wvschools.ca">dpac@wvschools.ca</a> no later than Monday, August 31st at 5 PM. The session will be recorded and posted to the school district website for those unable to watch live. A link to the event can be found <a href="mailto:dpac@wvschools.ca">HERE</a>

## Return to School

If you are considering something other than in-person full-time learning, we ask that you to connect directly with your child's Principal. Principals will be able to discuss with you some possible temporary options. It will be important for families to connect with their Principal before September 4th.

This week our administrators were finalizing the planning for the fall. Next week we welcome our teachers back for professional development opportunities. We will be covering various topics including the use of Google Classroom and a range of learning topics that align with our Return to School Plan. During the first two days of the orientation week on September 8th and 9th, all of our employees will be reviewing strict Health and Safety protocols for the year ahead. We then look forward to welcoming all of our students back on either September 10th and 11th.

You will hear from me, from time to time, but going forward your Principal will be your primary contact for information on the fall.

We look forward to seeing you soon.