## DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE



## School District No. 60

## PEACE RIVER NORTH

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Dear Parents, December 31, 2021

As per the recent<u>announcement and order</u> by the Ministry of Education and Public Health Officer, School District 60 will carry out a phased startup in January.

This means that **regular instruction for all students will resume on Monday, January 10th**. Next week, schools will be open for staff to work on contingency, safety, and continuity of learning plans. Additionally, essential services workers are able to send their children next week as needed with priority given to children of health-care providers. Please email your principal if this is the case. Other families who have specific needs can also contact their principal by email. Bussing will be in place as per normal schedules; this is for children of essential services workers or families with specific needs. Student programming will be limited next week as the focus will be on providing supervision and care.

As part of the work by staff, all school and District communicable disease plans will be updated with enhanced measures that include:

- No large gatherings
- Spacing where possible, staggered breaks and transitions, etc.
- No visitor access unless part of food and learning support as designated by the principal
- Tournaments are paused

The objective of this phased-in plan is to ensure we are able to keep schools open as much as possible from January 10th on. The stronger our safety plans in schools, the less likely we will face school closures due to staff shortages and outbreaks. *We need your assistance with this by ensuring your child carries out a daily health check and wears a mask at school*. This is particularly important given the higher transmission rates of the new variant. Ensuring all eligible family members are fully vaccinated also significantly reduces hospitalization rates and makes sure our health care system can function.

Thank you for your understanding,

Stephen Petrucci, EdD Superintendent/CEO

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Link to daily health check