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May 19, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I wish to share updated information with you about how we as a District are planning to implement a gradual return to in-class instruction on a part-time basis beginning June 1, 2020.

As you have likely heard, Premier Horgan, Education Minister Fleming and Public Health Officer Dr. Henry, shared details about what a return to school could look like for the remainder of this school year. Health and safety will continue to be everyone's top priority.

In-class instruction will be made available for students in kindergarten to Grade 5 for two days a week whilst students in Grades 6 and 7 will be offered in-class instruction for 1 day a week. Students in Grade 8 through Grade 12 will be contacted through their school for some opportunities for some in-class instruction. As our Minister has indicated, attendance in-class is voluntary. Providing some in-class instruction, for families that choose to have their child attend, provides face to face instruction and some opportunities for social interactions with peers. In addition, it also positions us all for a return to school – hopefully in our traditional format of full time in-class instruction – in September 2020.

To help us plan the necessary classroom arrangements and schedules, families with students in kindergarten through Grade 7 will be provided with a survey that we ask you to complete by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 21. Following this, you will be provided with details about either the schedule for your child's return to school or about arrangements for continued learning at home.

Everyone at the District understands that a decision to send your children to school will vary family to family. We are committed to doing all that we can to maintain safety for your children and our staff. Every health and safety measure advised by the Provincial Health Officer – from hand hygiene, maximizing physical distancing, logistics in the school day, enhanced cleaning and much more – will be strictly adhered to as we welcome children back to our schools.

We continue to work closely with the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Health, the Office of the Provincial Health Officer and Vancouver Coastal Health on the COVID-19 response. As I said before, these are extraordinary times. Yet I have every confidence that this next phase for our school system will provide rich learning opportunities for your children. As staff throughout our District have fundamentally shifted how education is provided to students in mere weeks following spring break, I have every confidence the next phase of our return to a new normal will help us all come out of this pandemic stronger and more resilient.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Hoffman Superintendent of Schools Vancouver School District