

Dear Parents/Guardians/Caregivers

Please [complete the survey here](#) regarding both restricted and critical COVID-19 response levels.

As we announced on Friday, October 30, all schools in Manitoba are moving to a restricted (or ORANGE) level of COVID-19 response. We will be using this week to put plans in place and we anticipate that we will be in a full restricted response beginning November 9, 2020. The restricted response is normally put in place for two full cycles of COVID-19, or for about four weeks. We will take direction from Public Health regarding when we move to a different level of response.

Below are some brief highlights of the Restricted (ORANGE) Level response.

(ORANGE) Restricted Response Level	
Response Plan Measure	Requirements
Physical Distancing Measures	Schools will ensure two metres of physical distancing to the greatest extent possible, adjusting classroom space and furniture where necessary and repurposing other spaces in the schools to accommodate further distancing.
Kindergarten to Grade 8 Remote Learning	While many schools across Manitoba have had positive cases, very few schools have seen any spread of the virus in the school setting. Schools are the best places for students to learn. However, students in Kindergarten to Grade 8 will have the choice to continue with in-class learning, or to learn from home via print material and the use of technology (e.g., Google Classroom and SeeSaw) for the duration of the Restricted Response Level. Details of the Remote Learning Option are available here .
Students with Exceptional Needs	Students with exceptional needs will continue to follow their individualized education plans and may continue in-class learning full time.
Student Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We continue to advocate for parents to transport children privately where possible.• School buses will continue to operate.• Masks are required for all bus passengers, drivers and students.
Grades 9 to 12	Blended learning (in-class and online) will continue.

We are aware that if Public Health determines that schools need further restrictions, we could be moved into a critical (RED) response.

Below are some brief highlights of the Critical (RED) Level response.

(RED) Critical Response Level	
Response Plan Measure	Requirements
Physical Distancing Measures	Schools will ensure two metres of physical distancing at all times for students who are in-class learning.
In-Class Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kindergarten to Grade 6 children of CRITICAL CARE workers will continue with in-class learning if required.• Students with exceptional needs are eligible to continue with in-class learning full time if parents choose.
Remote Learning	Kindergarten to Grade 8 children of non-critical care workers will enter into remote learning via print material or the use of technology.
Grades 7 to 12	Grades 7 to 12 students will transition to full time remote learning.
Student Transportation	School buses will not be operating.

We realize that any alteration to our current facilitation of teaching and learning may cause disruption. We all need to do our part to keep our community safe and we thank you for your support. Our navigation of the pandemic requires a partnership among schools and our communities so we can keep our kids safe and learning.

We thank you in advance for taking the time to [complete the survey](#). Please respond by Monday, November 2 at 9 p.m.

Survey URL: <https://forms.gle/tSRj35KzCghyBZDBA>