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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The health, safety and well-being of students and staff remains the top priority ( as Rainbow District School Board welcomes students back to class ( for the 2020-2021 school year. (

In order to ease the transition, there will be staggered starts next week. ( Click here to determine the first day of school for your child: ( <https://www.rainbowschools.ca/news/school-year-begins-with-staggered-start-dates/> (

As we launch a school year like no other, we all have a role to play in limiting ( the spread of COVID-19. This begins at home before leaving for school. (

Please screen your child daily for any COVID-19 symptoms and keep them home from ( school if they or anyone in the household are sick or have had close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19. Secondary students can self-screen and monitor for symptoms.

The screening questionnaire is on the board website at the following link: ( <https://www.rainbowschools.ca/parents/coronavirus/reopening/> ( You do not have to bring the completed questionnaire to school. ( It is a tool to screen for COVID-19 as part of your morning routine. (

With reasonable exceptions, all students in Rainbow Schools in Grades 1 to 12 are required ( to wear non-medical or cloth masks indoors in school, including in hallways and during ( classes. Kindergarten students are required to wear masks and/or face shields in indoor ( spaces. Staff, parents/guardians and visitors are also required to wear masks. (

These are some of the many protocols being implemented as we reopen our schools. ( We encourage you to read the Reopening Guide for Rainbow Schools to learn more: ( <https://www.rainbowschools.ca/parents/coronavirus/reopening/> (

As we move forward, please visit [rainbowschools.ca](http://rainbowschools.ca) for updates. ( We will also share information on Facebook and through school communications channels. (

**Thank you for working together to keep everyone safe.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Norm Blaseg", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Norm Blaseg  
Director of Education