

Barnhill Memorial School

November 23rd, 2020

Good afternoon,

We are sure you are now aware that we have moved to the Orange Phase for COVID-19. This means there are some changes on how our school will operate in order to keep everyone safe and follow Public Health expectations.

1. All in-person meetings have been cancelled. If a meeting is required, it will be conducted using Microsoft Teams.
2. All students are required to wear a mask on the school bus, even when sitting alone, or with a member of the same household.
3. Students in Grades K-8 are required to wear a mask at all times at school except when students are sitting at a desk working silently (this will be at the teacher's discretion), eating, or engaged in physical activity that is supervised in the physical education class or outside. Please ensure that your child brings two clean masks to the class daily. We do have reversible holiday themed masks for sale here at the office for \$5.00 each. We also recommend that children bring a re-usable water bottle in order to have fresh water throughout the day.
4. All staff are always required to wear a mask (including outside) at school except when eating or sitting alone behind closed doors.
5. Schools cannot share personal or health related information about staff or students who are self-isolating or who have tested positive for privacy reasons. Public Health investigates every confirmed case and would notify any staff or student who was required to self-isolate due to close contact with a confirmed case. You do not need to inquire at the school.
6. We are here to support and certainly would like to have your children attend school. We have been assured by Public Health that it is safe to proceed with regular classes, while following the updated guidelines for the Orange Phase.

If there is any further information you may require, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in education,

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