



Hedges Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians/Caregivers,

On September 10, 2021, Hedges Middle School will reopen for **full-time in class learning for all students** with contingency plans in place. Triad conferences take place on September 8 and 9. Our planning for the school year focuses on renewal and addressing the impacts that the pandemic has had on mental health, well-being, and learning. The level of risk may change over the course of the year; schools will work collaboratively with public health officials and Manitoba Education to implement any additional public health measures.

These priority areas will guide planning as students and staff return to class:

- Following health and safety measures as per public health guidance (as a minimum)
- Promoting mental health and well-being
- Engaging learners and assessing learning starting points

The attached guide summarizes the plan for reopening schools in the fall of 2021, which includes ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all students. The continuation of public health fundamentals including **self-screening, hand hygiene and staying home when sick** are important components of our safe return to school plan.

We will continue to monitor and implement additional public health measures and contingency planning, as needed, to address changes in the transmission of COVID-19 in our community.

More information will follow as it becomes available to us.

Take care,

T. Baydock
Principal

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Vice-Principal