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Dear Daysland School Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. We are looking forward to re-opening Daysland School and welcoming our students back on September 3rd. We are working through detailed plans, not only for learning but also to protect the health and safety of students and staff. Our school division has posted a detailed relaunch guide on the BRSD Website.

In addition to the increased cleaning, sanitizing, and the several other Alberta Health Services recommendations, we will have new routines specific to our school in order to keep students and staff healthy and safe. Some of those items specific to our school will include the following:

- Changes to drop off and pick up procedures for buses and parents
- Entrances and exits will be assigned for cohorts' (homeroom) use
- Procedures on how students will move around the school for class changes and breaks
- Frequent hand sanitization
- Recess and lunch times will be organized to maintain cohort groupings
- We will have a closed campus throughout the day
- Parent visitors will be by appointment only
- Everyone entering the school will need to sign in at the office for contact tracing and will need to answer the <u>screening questionnaire</u>.
- Mandatory masks for grades 4 to 12 in common areas and when social distancing is not possible. Students may bring their own masks, but they will also be provided with 2 reusable masks on the first day. Bus students will be provided with a non reusable mask on the first day only.
- Extra cleaning of school common areas and regular sanitizing of student spaces during the day

More information about some of these items, like entry points and transitions, will be provided next week prior to the first day of class.

It is important for families to be aware of the need to screen your children for symptoms every day before sending them to school. Students with symptoms should not be coming to school. Please review the screening guide daily and we ask that you use it to ensure that any students with symptoms stay at home. This is an Alberta Health Services rule and it is critical we all do our part to ensure we are following it. Our staff will be doing the same for themselves and we have a process to follow before students or staff return to school if they do experience any symptoms.



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In order to ensure cohorting is possible in our high school classes, Gr.10-12 will be following a quarterly semester system. This means that they will focus on two classes for approximately 2.5 months. Diploma exams will be offered at the end of each quarter for courses requiring them.

The quartered system requires us to make accommodations to other aspects of our timetable so that teachers are able to teach their assigned classes. These changes include:

- A semestered schedule in Grade 9 for core subjects. Language Arts and Science will be offered from September to January. Math and Social will be scheduled in January to June.
- A teacher switch (not a class change) may be required in some junior high classes,like Science, Social or Phys.Ed each quarter to allow for teachers to teach high school classes and limit the number of cohorts teachers are in per quarter.

A schedule for core courses in Grades 9-12 is attached below. Junior High students will be provided with a copy of their timetables each quarter. Grade 7-8 classes will continue to follow a year long schedule for all of their core classes, with the exception of options. Since we are no longer able to mix cohorts, junior high students will rotate through the four option classes with their classmates. They will change options in November, February, and April.

Another change to our timetable for Grades 1-9 will be the inclusion of Health into PE. Removing Health from the schedule will allow us extra time in Language Arts and Math which will be beneficial in supporting students with their literacy and numeracy skills. Students will continue to receive daily PE classes, but activities may be modified to follow health guidelines.

For students in high school, we have a course selection form posted on the Daysland School website. If your high school student has not already done so, please have them complete the form so that we can get a picture of what our course numbers will be. The form can also be accessed by clicking here. We would appreciate students completing this by Thursday, August 27th.

We understand that there may be a lot of questions around returning to class. Daysland School, along with BRSD, will do our best to continually update you as we learn new information through our website, as well as email. However, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brad Kyle & Mr. Wes Wilson

Daysland Senior High Timetable 2020-21

Quarter 1: September 3rd -November 10th

	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
AM	Math 10	ELA 20	Math 30
	CTS - CONSTRUCTION		
PM	CTS - FOODS / FASHION STUDIES		
		Work Experience / RAP	

Quarter 2: November 16th - January 29th

	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
AM	PE 10/Calm	Bio 20	English 30
PM	English 10	Physics 20	
		W Ex / RAP / DC / BROL	

Quarter 3: February 1st - April 20th

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	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	
AM	Science 10	Math 20	Social 30	
PM	Grade 10 Option	Physics 30		
		W Ex / RAP / DC / BROL		

Quarter 4: April 21st - June 29th

	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
AM	Social 10	Social 20	Biology 30 / Science 30
РМ	ART 10 / 20 / 30		
	PE 20 / 30		
		Work Experience / RAP	
			Math 31

Daysland Gr. 9 Core Timetable

Semester 1: September - January

Semester 2: February - June

Math Social