



PRINCE GEORGE SECONDARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Prince George Secondary School for the 2020-2021 academic year! We are looking forward to opening our doors to the PGSS school community. Our goal for this year is to ensure all of our students and staff return to school in safe, caring and supportive classroom environments.

We will be welcoming our students back into the building for a gradual entry orientation starting Thursday September 10. The information below will outline your child's first day for you:

Thursday September 10th, 2020

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
<i>9:00–9:45am – period 1 9:45–10:30am – period 2</i>	<i>9:45–10:30am – period 1 10:30–11:15am – period 2</i>	<i>12:30-1:15pm – period 1 1:15–2:00pm – period 2</i>	<i>1:15-2:00pm – period 1 2:00-2:45pm – period 2</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Arrive at school. Line up at table outside the school according to your last name.2. Collect timetable and mask.3. Sanitize hands and enter building wearing mask.4. Attend period 1 and 2 classes as scheduled above.5. Leave the building right at the end of period 2 class.			

Friday September 11th, 2020

Grade 8
<i>9:00 am – 11:26 am</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Arrive at school. Line up at table outside the school according to your last name.2. Collect individual timetable and mask.3. Sanitize hands and enter building wearing mask.4. Go straight to period 1 class.5. Teacher to review safety protocols and expectations for PGSS and will provide their class with a tour of the building.6. <u>Leave the building</u> as soon as you have been dismissed by your period 2 teacher. DO NOT wait in hallways.

From **Monday September 14th, 2020** and onward for the remainder of the year, students must use the following as a guide to ensure the safety of the entire school community.

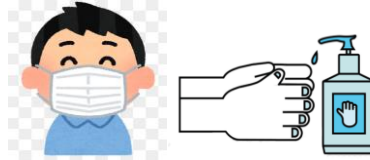
1. BEFORE YOU GET TO SCHOOL

- ✓ Complete Daily Health Assessment
- ✓ If you have symptoms, stay home



2. WHEN YOU ARRIVE

- ✓ Warning bell @ 8:40am
- ✓ Arrive wearing mask
- ✓ Sanitize hands
- ✓ Go straight to your first classroom
- ✓ If you are late, go to the main entrance



3. WHILE AT SCHOOL

- ✓ When not in a classroom, wear a mask
- ✓ Keep 6 feet away from your peers
- ✓ Cough and sneeze into your elbow, sleeve, or a tissue.
- ✓ Bring limited materials to school (backpack, water bottle, etc.) and don't share any materials
- ✓ If you begin to feel sick at school, report to office immediately
- ✓ **No access to lockers so it's important to bring everything with you**
- ✓ **Sanitize/wash hands often**
- ✓ **Follow each teacher's individual classroom procedures**



4. DURING LUNCH (11:26)

- ✓ You can remain in your classroom for 15 mins to eat your lunch (11:26-11:41) or exit the building
- ✓ If you purchase lunch from the cafeteria, bring back to classroom (until 11:41) or take outside
- ✓ Gr 8: must remain on campus but can go outdoors
- ✓ Gr 9-12: can leave campus
- ✓ Re-entry – follow #2



5. WHEN LEAVING THE SCHOOL

- ✓ Bell @ 2:57pm
- ✓ Take all belongings with you
- ✓ Exit through the closest door
- ✓ Students waiting for rides must wait outside or in cafeteria/front foyer areas if the weather is bad



The new bell schedule is as follows:

Warning Bell	8:40 am
Period 1	8:45 am – 11:26 am
Lunch	11:26 am – 12:16 pm
Period 2	12:16 pm – 2:57 pm
You MUST leave the building at the end of the day ***there is NO EARLY Dismissal on Wednesdays***	

We have redesigned our timetable to reflect a quarter system. There are four quarters over the course of the year where students will take 2 courses at once for a period of ten weeks; period 1 in the morning, period 2 in the afternoon.

The Provincial Health Officer has instructed schools to organize their students into Learning Groups, also known as a “cohort”. Students will remain in their cohort over the course of the year. If a student wishes to make a change to their timetable they may do so at the end of a quarter for the beginning of the following quarter. In all cases, the maximum class size is 30 students, while the maximum class size in Home Economics and Technology Education classes is 24.

Learning cohorts will further reduce the amount of student contact and will provide a mechanism for contact tracing should this be necessary. The creation of learning cohorts within the timetable substantially reduces the course options we are able to offer students.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we work towards opening our doors for students. We can't wait to see your child back in our building. Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have further questions and/or concerns.

Sincerely,

Your PGSS Administration Team

Mr. Molcak (Principal)
Ms. Mitchell (Vice Principal, A-G))
Ms. Marren (Vice Principal, H-O)
Mr. Wood (Vice Principal, P-Z)