

Turtle Mountain School Division COVID-19 Updates as of May 22, 2020

On May 21, 2020 the provincial government announced the sectors within the province which would be able to at least partially re-open as part of Phase II. This included information pertaining to school divisions. While we await the official dates when some of these changes will take effect, parents/caregivers and students are asked to make note of the following:

1. It has now been formally announced the full resumption of in-school classes will not occur before September of 2020.
2. Schools will be reopened for teaching staff to schedule appointments with students as deemed appropriate by school staff and administration. This is not a full resumption of classes, and students coming to school will need to be prearranged and scheduled. If students are asked to come in for scheduled appointments, this will be at the discretion of parents/caregivers.
3. Any students coming to the schools will be screened prior to entry as per Manitoba Health guidelines. Under no circumstances can students come to school with symptoms of illness.
4. Social distancing and hand-washing measures will remain in effect.
5. Remote learning will continue in June. As of June 12, 2020, no new work will be assigned by teachers to enable time for final collection of any student work to be assessed. This will also be time for teachers to meet with students in small groups as required and plan for recovery learning in the fall.
6. We do not have confirmed information yet regarding the start up of the school year in September 2020. We know the provincial government is considering a school start on August 31, 2020 as opposed to September 8, 2020. We also do not yet have confirmation as to any operational adjustments which will need to be made in schools in the fall. More to follow when we have more information.

The Manitoba Government draft Phase II plan can be found here for your reference:

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/proactive/2020_2021/restoring-safe-services-phase-2.pdf