

Playground Structures to Open With Guidelines, May 19, 2020

The Chief Public Health Officer (CPHO) of Manitoba has now issued guidelines that can be used by public school divisions to inform the public of the reopening of play structures and playgrounds located on school properties. This follow-up guidance builds upon the Provincial Government's initial guidance on reopening of outdoor recreation facilities and golf courses within the "Restoring Safe Services" Recovery Roadmap, released on April 30, 2020 (available at <https://manitoba.ca/covid19/restoring/phase-one.html>).

The CPHO has deemed playgrounds and play structures to be "low risk", in terms of transmission of the COVID-19 virus via community use of such infrastructure. Further, the CPHO has also indicated that "there are no specific requirements for cleaning of outdoor play-structures".

Within Turtle Mountain School Division playground structures will open for use on May 19, 2020. Signs will be posted at play structures indicating social distancing of 2 metres minimum is required, and users should apply hand sanitizer before and after use.