



. COVID-19 Protocols for School & District Administrators and Staff: Management of School-Associated Activity – Important Update

This week's Deputy Minister's Bulletin includes a new [COVID-19 Update](#) which references a very important update to the [COVID-19 Administrator Protocols](#) which all administrators should read carefully before the return to school for students on Monday, January 10, 2022. It also includes the PHO verbal order for workplace COVID-19 safety plans, K-12 Daily Health Check, Return to School Q&As, and other important information.

. COVID-19 Exposure Notification and Contact Tracing Changes

From the updated [COVID-19 Administrator Protocols](#), page 1: "In K-12 schools, schools will closely monitor school attendance data to determine if they have met a public-health determined potential activity signal (a potential activity signal is a threshold that indicates further investigation is warranted by public health to determine if additional actions are required). When met, the school will notify public health and the school community. Public health, led by Medical Health Officers, will continue to lead investigations to determine if additional measures are needed. Public health will also monitor provincial and regional data and will connect with schools if they identify further investigation is needed." Also refer to the Question-and-Answer Section of this week's [COVID-19 Update](#).

On Jan 7, 2022, at 4:47 PM, Directrice École Saint-Sacrement/ Principal Blessed Sacrament School <principal@ess.vancouver.bc.ca> wrote:

Cher Personnel,

Quelle semaine bizarre entre nouvel an, Omicron , jour de neige, les nouvelles, et toutes les préparations pour la semaine prochaine!

Merci pour votre flexibilité et votre aide. J'aimerais remercier ceux qui ont travaillé de l'école et de la maison, et l'équipe qui ma joint hier pour finaliser les plans pour notre école.

Si vous avez besoin de plexi dans votre classe ou sur votre bureau, laissez-moi savoir lundi après-midi au plus tard. Si vous vous sentez malade, dites moi le plus tôt possible.

Il y a quelques points intéressants ci-joint.

Bonne fin de semaine relaxante et que Dieu vous garde tous en bonne santé.

Reine

Enterprise "Illness" Code for Attendance Reporting: As of January 10, school staff should mark absences due to illness with the enterprise attendance reason code "Illness" in MyEducation BC. Please **only** use the enterprise code; **do not** use your school-level coding. Use of the enterprise code will be counted in the Ministry's daily extract. The enterprise coding will be used in collaboration with the Public Health Office to monitor the impact of illness-related absences in the K-12 sector.

Access to ShareEdBC Resources: [ShareEdBC](#) provides B.C. educators with over 2,700 curated resources that support teaching and learning in B.C. Through ShareEdBC, educators will be able to access classroom-ready resources that support K-12 students through face-to-face, online or hybrid models of instruction. If your school is not yet a part of ShareEdBC, please email ShareEdBC@gov.bc.ca for more information.

Black Excellence Day: Schools and districts are invited to join the Ninandotoo Society and the Burnaby School District in celebrating [Black Excellence Day](#) on January 14. Black Excellence Day is a day to stand in solidarity with Black Canadians and honour the rich history, art and stories of Black people. Schools are welcome to participate in the day by hosting their own celebrations or registering to participate in a paid [virtual event](#) hosted by the Ninandotoo Society and District 41.

Purchase Pink Shirts with Purpose: Looking for a socially responsible option for purchasing pink shirts this year? Schools and districts can participate in CKNW's annual [Pink Shirt Day campaign](#) which raises funds and awareness for anti-bullying initiatives. Another option is that schools can create personalized designs with [Wachiay Studio](#) which uses funds to support the urban Indigenous population of the Comox Valley through programs and services. If interested, order soon as supplies are limited.

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