



# Clinton Elementary School

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

Welcome back to Clinton for the 2021-22 school year. We hope that you had a restful summer. As we start the new school year, it seems strange that we work through another transition with COVID in mind. Saying that, we are excited to try and work our way back to normal over the school year. With the loosening of some restrictions, we are carefully optimistic about routines and regular school life. During the first week of school students will be returning to their last year's classrooms, this will happen for the rest of that week.

We still have many of the safety protocols in place this fall. The school will be locked with limit access. However, this year, parents are welcomed to enter the school, following the mask and hand-washing procedures. The district is asking schools to limit the number of visitors to the school, so if there are more request to enter the school, days and time may be staggered to meet the needs of parents and visitor for entrance to the school.

- [Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#)
- [BCCDC COVID-19 Public Health Communicable Disease Guidance for K-12 Schools](#)
- [K-12 Recovery Plan](#)

We continue to work with the district and health authorities to create safe environments along with a focus on learning for students. You will hear about some things that are the same and some that are different over the next few months. We ask that you be patient with us as we work on implementing a moving target that changes regularly.

Linked in this letter are sites that the school district continues to use as guidelines for safety and communication. Our school, in coordination with the district and ministry continue to look at these regularly for safety processes.

We are currently planning and preparing for the upcoming year by revisiting new registration and those students who left over the summer.

Classes are based on contractual obligations; class size and composition, this is a fluid process and changes regularly. We adjust where possible but can not take and make all requests.

On another note, with many of the tragedies that were discovered over the past few months, the province has made September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 a day of recognition for indigenous lives and schools will not be in session provincially.

Thank you for your patience as we plan and prepare to meet the needs of everyone for this year.

Sincerely,

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