



# SCHOOL DISTRICT 5

## S O U T H E A S T K O O T E N A Y

### **BC's Restart Plan**

On May 6, Premier John Horgan announced [BC's Restart Plan](#), to restart BC's economy. Public health staff and officials will continue to review the health data while the Ministry of Education and school divisions all around BC are reviewing options to allow for a safe return to school.

Parents will have the choice of bringing their children back to class on a part-time basis this school year as a part of BC's Restart Plan, with the goal of returning to full-time classes in September 2020, provided it is safe to do so.

To make sure schools are safe for students and staff, the number of students in school each day will be reduced, with most receiving in-class instruction part time. School districts will determine scheduling for classes and transportation arrangements.

- For Kindergarten to Grade 5, this means most students will go to school half time (such as alternating days)
- Grades 6 to 12 will go to school about one day a week
- Children of Essential Service Workers and students needing additional supports will have the option to attend school full time
- Families that decide not to send their children to class may continue learning from home

In hopes of planning adequately for the return of our students to the classroom we require your feedback. The survey is aimed at ensuring safety protocols are considered and articulated, staff are available and facilities are prepared to welcome students safely.

Thank you for taking the time to provide us with valuable information as we move to support the BC Restart Plan. As plans must be articulated by May 25<sup>th</sup> to the ministry we are asking for feedback to be submitted no later than Thursday May 21<sup>st</sup> at noon.

[Link to survey](#)

An announcement on a phased approach to resuming in-class instruction will be made in the coming weeks. For ongoing information, please access the [Superintendent's Update](#) on our [district website](#). Or contact your school principal.