



# COVID -19 Mitigation

The health and safety of Foothills Alliance School students, staff and families is a priority. To reduce the risk of exposure to illness, Foothills Alliance School has adapted the following procedures and protocols.

- Administration follows and implements the recommendations from Alberta Health Services, Alberta Learning and Children’s Services
- Strict “Do Not Enter” policy for any student, staff or family member experiencing symptoms of illness (self assessment tool)
- Social Distancing (when possible)
- One-way traffic within the school. (enter through main doors and leave through back door or center hallway)
- Cohorting of students by class (children will only have direct contact with the students and staff in their particular classroom – maximum cohort size is 30 people)
- Modified drop-off and pick-up protocols (each class will be notified of the rules pertaining to their cohort) Children should be dropped-off and picked-up by the same family member each day (if possible). Only one adult per student will be allowed access to the building.
- Adults entering the building must wear a mask, sanitize their hands before and after their visit (provided), will not be permitted access to school washrooms and will need to limit the amount of time they spend in the school (no lingering)
- Staff members who are part of more than one cohort (i.e. teach more than one class) will wear face shields or masks in all their classes.
- Staff members will be tested for COVID-19 prior to the beginning of the school year.
- Increased cleaning protocols – toys, high touch surfaces and washrooms will be cleaned between cohorts and thoroughly each day.
- Provision of student specific supplies. Children will be provided with a pencil case containing a pencil, markers, glue, scissors, etc. for their own dedicated use. Parents will be charged a fee for these supplies.
- Proper hand hygiene will be taught and children will be expected to wash their hands frequently throughout the day.
- Large gatherings such as parent orientation, kick-off, Christmas concerts, etc. are cancelled. Online alternatives will be made available.
- Children will not be required to wear a mask unless they become ill while at school. Children who become sick at school will be masked, distanced from other students and their parents will be called for immediate pick-up.
- Anyone with COVID symptoms must be tested and cannot return to school until receiving a negative test result.
- The entire COVID mitigation plan is available upon request ([sherrie@foothillsalliance.com](mailto:sherrie@foothillsalliance.com))

I have reviewed and understand the protocols in place. By signing below I consent to allow my child to attend in-person classes at Foothills Alliance School. I understand that Foothills Alliance School will mitigate the risk of infection as much as possible, but that no activity is 100% hazard free.

Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_