



## COVID 19 SAFETY PLAN

Bright Beginnings is committed to returning to the 2020/21 school year safely with increased measures to help prevent transmission whilst continuing to provide a successful and fulfilling learning environment.

Bright Beginnings Covid 19 Safety Plan is a working document, any concerns or improvements brought forward by parents/staff members will be noted and addressed at board meetings and changes made as deemed appropriate.

### **DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES**

Entry will be via the normal gate but a one-way system will be implemented so that parents and students can leave via the side gate nearest the secondary school car park.

Please adhere to the staggered start times as much as possible to limit numbers of people waiting.

Use the sanitizer station that is outside the gate before you enter the premises and maintain physical distancing as much as possible. Ground signage will assist in keeping 6ft distance while waiting.

Parents are asked to limit numbers to 2 adults in the bag area and please get your child ready as quickly as possible. There will be a maximum occupancy of 2 adults inside the bag storage area at all times.

Parents are required to wear a face mask when dropping off their children and picking up their children.

A staff member will be present to check your child's temperature and parents will sign acknowledgement of general household health upon signing in their child. If a temperature of 37.8C (or above) is recorded that student will be required to refrain from class that day. Please note that if your child appears visibly ill, they will also be required to refrain from class that day.

On arrival please help your child place their items in the tub (if necessary) and allow them to enter the class independently. Please ensure they have used the bathroom before arriving.

On leaving please follow the same procedure as arrival.

### **STAFF/STUDENT ILLNESS**

Any staff member who has experienced symptoms of Covid-19 in the last 10 days including: fever or chills, a new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, new muscle aches or headache OR have travelled outside of

Canada in the last 14 days OR are a close contact of a person who tested positive for COVID-19 OR has been directed by Public Health to isolate are NOT permitted to enter the workplace.

Any staff member who has arrived from outside of Canada must self isolate & monitor for symptoms for 14 days before returning to work.

If a person begins to feel ill during a shift they must report to their supervisor immediately, wash hands, wear a mask and isolate. They will be directed to go home. If there is severe illness, (e.g. breathing difficulty) call 911. An immediate surface clean will be conducted.

Any student who display any symptoms will be required to be picked up immediately. Please note this will be strictly adhered to and no exceptions will be made.

Refer to Page 11, Appendix B [http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID\\_public\\_guidance/Guidance\\_Child\\_Care.pdf](http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/Guidance_Child_Care.pdf)

### **PLAY TIME**

Dress up clothes/soft or fabric items will be temporarily removed from play areas.

Efforts will be made to have children sit physically distanced at carpet time

Meal and Snack Times – children must not share food, containers can be handled by students and placed back in their own bins. Snacks will be eaten outside wherever possible. Food share days will NOT be occurring at this time.

Increased outside play time when weather permits (paint hopscotch, beanbag toss, four square ball game, totem tennis, obstacle course, relay races, scavenger hunt, ring toss)

### **CLEANING MEASURES**

[http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/CleaningDisinfecting\\_PublicSettings.pdf](http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/CleaningDisinfecting_PublicSettings.pdf)

Refer to Policies and Guidelines 2020 for Bright Beginnings cleaning measures. In addition to these dress up clothes/soft or fabric items will be temporarily removed. Increased sanitation of high contact surfaces will be conducted during the class (once each class by each teacher).

Steam cleaner has been purchased as additional measure.

Toy bins will be organised to allow for rotation of toys out of play until cleaning.

Class time changes to allow for additional cleaning time:

Mon/Wed/Fri AM class to end 11:20am

Tues/Thurs AM class to end 11:05am

Mon-Thurs PM class to start 12:40pm

No parent volunteers to clean items in home or make play dough at this time.

In addition staff in charge are to:

Require workers to wash their hands regularly throughout the day, including:

When they arrive at the workplace and before leaving, before and after handling food (raw, cooked or pre-packaged), preparing bottles or feeding children, giving or applying medication or ointment to a child or self, after changing diapers, using the toilet or assisting a child to use the toilet, after contact with body fluids (e.g., runny noses, spit, vomit, blood), before donning and after doffing personal protective equipment, after cleaning tasks or handling garbage, whenever hands are visibly dirty

Support children to wash their hands regularly throughout the day, including:

When they arrive at the workplace and before they leave, before and after eating/drinking, after using the toilet or a diaper change, after playing outside, after handling pets and animals, after sneezing or coughing, whenever hands are visibly dirty

Provide education and direction to workers and children to:

Cough or sneeze into their elbow sleeve or a tissue, throw away used tissues and immediately perform hand hygiene, not touch their eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.

## **ADDITIONAL MEASURES**

Increased signage to make clear all procedures in place to help people adhere to physical distancing

Teachers to wear face mask/shields during arrival and leaving of parents/students

Doors/windows left open during class time to increase ventilation, a baby gate to be installed in door entrance to prevent students access

## **WEBSITE LINKS**

[http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID\\_public\\_guidance/Guidance\\_Child\\_Care.pdf](http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/Guidance_Child_Care.pdf)

<https://www.worksafebc.com/en/about-us/covid-19-updates/covid-19-returning-safe-operation/child-care>