

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

Board of Education Meeting Superintendent Patrick Bocking Wednesday, February 10th, 2021

SPARK! CLASSES

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FALL WINTER SPRING.



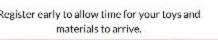
Parents, child care providers and caregivers of children newborn to five years old are invited to attend a new 90-minute SPARK! class every Fall, Winter and Spring.



SPARK! is offered as a resource for families and caregivers to learn & dialogue about children's growth and development. Classes are FREE, and in every class participants receive toys and resources and can sign up to receive monthly Imagination Library books in the mail!



Register early to allow time for your toys and



REGISTER ON-LINE!

EARLY-LEARNING.SD46.BC.CA | 604-885-6787 ALL CLASSES ARE OFFERED VIRTUALLY OVER ZOOM



READY, SET, GO! IT IS TIME TO GET SET FOR KINDERGARTEN!

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LITERACY WEEK JOY!

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WHAT ARE WE READING THIS MONTH?

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- Our students will be literate. They will be effective communicators, critical thinkers, and engaged citizens.
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- Our students will explore Indigenous cultures in our community and the diversity of cultures in the world.





TRAIN IN TRADES (ACE-IT) REGISTRATION IS HAPPENING NOW!



Our students will graduate with specific life skills to enable them to navigate their personal future directions.



TRAIN IN TRADES (ACE IT)

TIME TO REGISTER!

Chatelech Secondary and Elphinstone Secondary course selection is happening in early February.

SD46 offers the following Level One Foundation Trades Courses in partnership with post secondary institutions:

- Cook: 1st semester at Elphinstone Sec. (16 credits)
- Automotive Service Technician: 1st semester at Chatelech Sec. (16 credits)
- . Carpentry: 2nd semester at Chatelech Sec. (16 credits)

Pre-Requisites: Completed Grade 10 Math and going into Grade 11 or Grade 12 year in September 2021.

Find out more at career-programs.sd46.bc.ca or email the SD46 Career Coordinator Ms. Gordon at; ezordon@sd46.bc.ca.

SD46 requires a certain number of students enrolled to offer the programs. Get started now!



COOK AUTO Carpentry







PRO D DAY



Our staff will be fully supported for the work that we ask of them and that they ask of themselves through research-based **professional development**.







SECURITY MONTH



Our staff will be **leaders** in their work.





ENHANCED SAFETY MEASURES FOR K-12 SCHOOLS



Our district will effectively communicate with students, staff, and the community.



NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Education

Enhanced safety measures for K-12 schools

VICTORIA – Enhanced safety measures and \$121.2 million in federal funding are on the way, as the Province continues to strengthen health and safety plans in K-12 schools to keep students, teachers and staff safe during the pandemic.

All middle and secondary students and K-12 staff will now be required to wear non-medical masks in all indoor areas, including when they are with their learning groups. The only exceptions are when:

- · sitting or standing at their seat or workstation in a classroom;
- · there is a barrier in place; or
- · they are eating or drinking.

Prior to these changes, masks were required for middle and secondary students and all K-12 staff in high-traffic areas, like hallways and outside of classrooms or learning groups when they could not safely distance from others.

For elementary students, wearing masks indoors remain a personal choice. These updates are part of ongoing work of the provincial education steering committee and are in alignment with provincial health updates. Updated guidelines for the child care sector will be made available in the coming week.

"To make sure schools continue to be as safe as possible for students and staff as the pandemic evolves, we have worked with provincial health and our partners on a continuous review of the guidelines, adapting and responding when needed," said Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education. "We want students, their families and staff to feel confident with the safety measures in place. That's why we're making these updates."

Guidelines have also been strengthened for physical education and music classes. Highintensity physical activities are to be held outside as much as possible. Shared equipment or items, such as weight machines, treadmills or musical instruments, can be used only if they are cleaned between use, according to strict school sanitization guidelines. Students using equipment or playing instruments should also be spaced at least two metres apart and masks are to be used when singing.

Since September 2020, more than \$5.7 million of the K-12 Education Restart Plan for school districts has been used to purchase 3.9 million masks for students and staff.

"Educators, administrators and staff have done a great job of adapting our schools to make them safe and ensure important in-class learning continues," said Dr. Bonnie Henry, B.C.'s provincial health officer. "Since the start of the school year, we have paid close attention to our



EXPOSURE COMMUNICATIONS

- Our district will effectively communicate with students, staff, and the community.
- Our district will pursue opportunities that enhance collaboration and deepen partnerships throughout our local and global community.







STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SURVEY



Our district will ensure safe and efficient transportation strategies for our students.





INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Our district will recruit students from around the world to live and learn with us in a welcoming international student program.





THANK YOU

