

Imagine High COVID Protocol Update - January 10th

Dear Imagine High Community,

We are so looking forward to seeing students again, and hope that everyone enjoyed a restful (extended) break. Please see the information below around the addendum to the Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings. It outlines focused actions and additional prevention measures schools must implement in response to the recent rise of cases of COVID-19 due to the emergence of the more transmissible Omicron variant. It builds on the Addendum – Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools developed by the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) to ensure schools have effective measures in place to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. This addendum is in place until rescinded.

Imagine Protocols:

Reinforcement of In-Place Prevention Measures

- Public Health Order (face Coverings) requires all students, staff and visitors to wear a mask indoors at school. Everyone who does not have a mask exemption must wear a mask.
- Students should do doing a daily health check and stay home when sick
- Cleaning hands upon entry and regularly

School Hours for Students

- School doors do not open until 8 AM, instruction begins at 8:46
- Students leave the school upon dismissal at 3:12

Additional prevention measures effective January 10th, 2022

- Space arrangement that maximizes space between people
- Learning activities that bring together multiple classes will be spread out across multiple locations/spaces whenever possible
- Staff only spaces
- Staff, school gatherings and events gatherings held virtually
- If gatherings and events must be in person, minimize the number of people in attendance as much as possible, do not exceed 50% operating capacity, and no spectators
- Visitor access limits visitors to those that are supporting activities that are of direct benefit to student learning and wellbeing
- Extracurricular sports tournaments paused

Testing Positive for COVID-19

Please visit <u>this link</u> for an updated process for individuals who test positive for COVID-19. The second is an updated "I tested positive for COVID" Document from the Center for Disease Control.

Functional School Closures

In response to the more transmissible Omicron variant of COVID-19, we want to be prepared. In the event of a functional closure at Imagine, the following pathways will be available to students for a continuity of learning. While in the event of a functional closure, each community will reach out to families with specific information regarding learning.

In the event of a functional closure, the initial communication from teachers to families/students will be sent via email containing additional instructions. Emails to students are only sent to SD33 student emails. Family communication will go to the email addresses listed in MyEd. If family emails have changed, please send updated information to imagineofficestaff@sd33.bc.ca

See information below for frameworks of learning during a functional closure.

Learning Plan	Digital Platforms *All require students to use SD33 email addresses
Weekly communication Virtual Instruction Assignment/Project Distribution Progress Communication Video chat check-in / Office Hours	Freshgrade Zoom Teams Office 365 Adobe Creative Cloud
	*With their district emails, all Imagine High students have free access from any personal device to: • Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Lightroom, Spark, portfolio, In Design and Premier Elements) • Office 365 (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, OneNote, One Drive)

Most of the planned activities would be accessible by phone (PDFs, class meetings via Teams, assignments could be hand-written and submitted via photo). We will work individually with families to ensure equitable access to technology and personalized learning, and can collaborate to provide a variety of student supports in the event of a functional closure. Stay tuned for an email next week from the Welcome Center team with instructions on how to access student emails needed for digital platforms. We thank you so much for your support in this changing and complex time.

Sincerely,
The Imagine Team