

What is a Continuity of Learning Plan?

A Continuity of Learning Plan is now required by all BC public schools. It is a plan that outlines the steps for a school community to follow if the in-class learning is disrupted for a short period of time. This disruption to in-class learning is referred to as a functional school closure.

What is a functional school closure?

It is a short-term pause on in-class learning due to a outbreak of COVID-19 cases and/or staffing shortages. The closure could affect a few classes or the entire school and vary in length from one day to multiple days.

"It is better to have a plan and not need it, than to need a plan and not have one."

Decker Lake Elementary

A Continuity of Learning Plan



When and how would parents be notified of a functional school closure?

This is impossible to predict. It could be that we could "limp" through a day with minimal staffing and send a letter home to alert families that we will close the next day, or we may need to suddenly pivot in the early morning and alert parents via School Messenger & social media.



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Essential Service Workers

We cannot guarantee that any child of a health care worker or other would be able to be accommodated at the school in the event of a functional school closure so parents should have a back-up plan for childcare. A school's capacity varies from day to day as the level of sickness amongst staff and students fluctuate.

What is being done to keep schools safe?

Refer to our school website to review the updated DLES Communicable Disease Action Plan 2021/2022.

All staff and students are encouraged to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Masks are required for all staff and K-7 students.

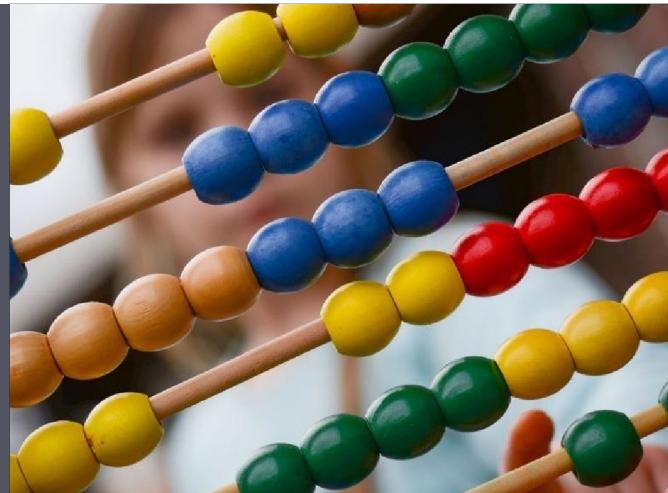
SEALED WORK PACKAGES WILL BE SENT HOME * COMING SOON *

Your child's teacher has prepared a work package for your child to keep sealed at home & opened only if we are forced to functionally close for a short period of time. If we need to close, then your child will already have access to his/her work package.



What is in the Work Package?

The work package contains essential learning in the key areas of numeracy, literacy, and social-emotional learning. The materials are designed to reinforce skills and concepts already taught so students can be self-paced and engaged without a lot of support from parents or caregivers.



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What do we do with the Work Packages?

Keep the package in a handy location at home so it doesn't get lost. If our school must close for an undetermined length of time, open the package and have your student continue with their learning at home. We do not require you to return the package.

