Reopening NWT schools 2022-23
Healthy school environments

Over the last two years, we’ve all learned many lessons around how to limit the spread of illness, so let’s keep Northwest Territories (NWT) schools safe!

As the Public Health Orders in the NWT have been lifted, the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer (OCPHO) is providing general guidance to communities, which includes schools, that are related to the COVID-19 pandemic public health measures. These are not mandatory requirements.

This school year, the Department of Education, Culture and Employment (ECE) is encouraging everyone to do their part to keep classrooms safe.

Here are some healthy habits that school staff, students and families can follow:

• Stay home if you’re sick!
• Wear a mask if you want to
• Wash your hands often
• Disinfect high-touch surfaces to prevent the spread of illness
• Try not to share school supplies or food and drinks
• Cover your mouth if you sneeze or cough
• Give people space if they ask for it

During the 2022-23 school year, Northwest Territories education bodies will be prioritizing maintaining the health and safety of their students, staff and communities.

It will be at their discretion to implement any additional safety protocols in schools, such as wearing masks, classroom bubbling, restricting visitors and/or serving communal food.

The Department of ECE encourages everyone to follow the protocols at their school to ensure a healthy school environment!

More information
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