**Will I need to wear a mask?**

Yes, all students are required to bring a community mask (no bandanas) with them to school everyday. Masks are not required in a classroom where social distancing can be respected. ***Masks must be worn upon entering the building and in all common areas including hallways*** (everywhere outside of the classroom).

**What about the bus?**

For students in grades 6 to 12, masks are required if there is more than one child per seat, and those students will have to wear a mask when entering and exiting the bus. They can remove the mask if they're sitting alone or with members of the same household. Bus passes are no longer being issued.

**Where are the entrances to MVHS?**

Doors at MVHS open at 7:30. Students arriving on buses will enter through doors at the bus loading area at the back of the school. All other students and staff will enter through the main entrance at all times. Sanitizing stations will be located at each of these entrances.

All doors will be locked at 8:30 AM and anyone entering the building after this time including students will be required to ring the door bell, be buzzed in to the building and sign in.

**When will I have to physically distance?**

Students have to stay one meter away from each other in the classroom, and two meters from everyone in common areas.

**What if my parent/guardian wants to meet teacher/administrator or pick me up from school?**

We will be limiting access to our building this year and we ask families to cooperate by either communicating with the school through email or phone. If an in-person meeting is necessary, they are asked to call ahead and make an appointment whenever possible. Parents will be instructed to contact the main office when picking students up during the school day. Students will be called to the office and required to sign out.

**I heard that I am going to have to wipe my desk and chair after it is used. Is there anything else?**

Students will also be expected to sanitize tools, work spaces, gym equipment, keyboards, mice and shared equipment. Students will be required to wipe outside of microwave before use.

**Where can I hang out in the mornings and at lunch?**

The cafeteria and mezzanine will both have tables and chairs where students can meet and congregate while socially distancing 2 meters apart. Tables will also be set up in the outdoor courtyard. Students are also encouraged to walk inside (while maintaining social distancing) or outdoors (while maintaining social distancing) during these times, as well. Students will stay to the right when moving through the hallways.

**Will the cafeteria be running this year?**

Yes. Unfortunately, the first day the cafeteria will be open is ***Monday, September 14th***. There will be no cafeteria service on the first week of school. Students purchasing meals from the cafeteria will be required to Social Distance in the line up. Food purchased in the cafeteria must consumed in the cafeteria or outside. The number of students seated at a table will be limited. Cafeteria tables will also be placed in the mezzanine and in the courtyard to allow more space for students to eat.

**What about the water-fountains?**

Students are asked to ***bring water bottles*** to school this year. Water fountains will not be in use. MVHS currently has two water filling stations. More are to be installed this fall. We will also have water coolers in the cafeteria, lobby and mezzanine.

**What about lockers?**

Students can use lockers when they arrive, at lunch time and at the end of the day (while maintaining a distance of 2 meters). Students will not be able to congregate in locker areas and are also not to be in at lockers between classes.

**When should I not go to school?**

Anyone with ***two or more symptoms of COVID-19 must stay home*** and contact 811 to determine whether testing is required. If it is, the person cannot return to school until cleared by Public Health officials. If testing is not required, they can return once symptoms are absent for 24 hours (without medication), or if they have been cleared to do so by a health-care professional. If a student develops symptoms at school, they will be brought to an isolation room and home will be contacted. Students are to be picked up within an hour.

**Tell me about washroom use this year.**

Signage will be posted at the entrance of washrooms with a maximum capacity of 2 or 3 people. Distance markers will be posted on the floor. Students are expected to practice good hand washing protocols. Signage will be posted. Students will also have 10 minutes between classes.

**What do I need for electronic devices and how to I get on the school WIFI?**

While we anticipate many of you will be able to have your own personal device in September, we know that this is not possible for everyone and ASD-N will work with those students and families who do not have electronic devices during school start-up. Do not panic. We will also help students log on to our school WIFI in the coming weeks. Details will follow. More information about the subsidy program can be found here: [https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/education/services/services\_renderer.201514.Lapt op\_Subsidy\_Program.html](https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/education/services/services_renderer.201514.Lapt%20op_Subsidy_Program.html).

**So, I hear that I attend every second day. Is that true?**

Students with last names A-L will be placed on the blue team. Students with the last name M-Z are on the gold team. Students will attend MVHS every second day. When not in school, students are still expected to continue school work for the school day and participation is monitored.  Teachers will provide student with more information. A schedule of blue and gold days will be posted on our website.

**For the first week of school, we will follow the following schedule.**

Tuesday, September 8 – Blue Day - grade nine students with last names A-L

Wednesday, September 9 – Gold Day – grade nine students with last names M-Z

Thursday, September 10 – Blue Day – all students with last names A-L

Friday, September 11 – Gold Day – all students with last names M-Z

**Will there be clubs and sports?**

The answer is yes. More information will follow.

**Special notes to students.**

Please remember that ***MVHS is a nut safe environment***. Please leave all nut products at home.

For more information please go to <http://mvhs.nbed.nb.ca/other/mvhs-and-covid-19>