Home education update
Learning during COVID-19

Effective January 25, 2021, home education students can participate in joint home education co-op activities / supportive group learning environments outside of their homes while following health measures that also apply to schools.

A number of public health measures remain in place, including CMOH Order 42-2020 that prohibits social gatherings in homes. Please note that under this order, home education gatherings are not permitted in homes at this time.

Required health measures for joint learning activities

- Parents and students engaging in joint learning activities with other home education families outside of their homes must use the appropriate Alberta Health Daily Checklist and follow recommendations of the Zone Medical Officer of Health or designate, including having an adult within each cohort to identify close contacts should there be a case of COVID-19 identified within the cohort.

- Parents and students choosing to engage in joint learning activities with other home education families outside of their homes, (e.g., community hall or rental facility) will be considered a cohort and must follow the cohorting guidance in the COVID-19 information: Guidance for schools on re-entry scenario 1.

- Parents, along with students 10 years and older (Grades 4 and older) choosing to engage in joint learning activities with other home education families outside their home must wear a non-medical face mask and follow the same masking requirements in school (CMOH Order 33-2020).

- Parents must develop procedures for hand hygiene requirements and follow enhanced cleaning and disinfecting guidance in the COVID-19 information: Guidance for schools on re-entry scenario 1.

- Parents and students must follow the physical distancing guidelines in the COVID-19 information: Guidance for schools on re-entry scenario 1.

- Please note that cohorts should be maintained for outdoor play-based learning, recess and outdoor learning activities. Indoor and outdoor learning activities must take place in facilities only and not in homes as the indoor and outdoor social gathering restrictions remain in place.

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