



May 22, 2020

Dear Spare Time families,

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The Vancouver School Board is entering the next phase of the COVID-19 response and has announced plans to reopen schools June 1. Your school has sent out surveys regarding whether your children will be participating.

Kindergarten to Grade 5 students will be scheduled for 2 consecutive days of instruction per week at school, and Grades 6 and 7 students will be scheduled for 1 day of instruction per week at school. If you are an COVID-19 Essential Service Worker, you may choose to have your child scheduled for up to 5 days of instruction per week at school.

Starting June 1, all child care services provided by school age child care operators in VSB schools will be limited to **before and after-school care only**. May 29 will be the last day we will be providing full day child care, as of June 1 we will offer before and after school care at all our facilities.

All our registered families and Essential Service Workers attending our home schools have the option to enroll for before and after school care in June, for the days that correspond to your child attending school. If you don't register for child care in June, you **will not lose your child care space**. All our registered families will have their spaces held until Sept 2020.

Placements for children of essential service workers based on the following priority:

- **Tier 1 (highest priority):** employed in Health and Health Services, Social Services, Law Enforcement, First Responders, and Emergency Response. **For child care, Tier 1 also includes children approved to access care at a designated Young Parent Program, referred to child care by MCFD or a Delegated Aboriginal Agency, and/or children of teachers and support workers providing care to children of essential service workers or students who would benefit from additional supports.**
- **Tier 2 (second priority):** all other occupations not included in Tier 1 that are listed in the Essential Service Workers list.
- **Tier 3 (third priority):** all other families not employed in an occupation listed in the Essential Service Workers list.

Next week you will receive **summer program registration information**, we will be offering 9 weeks of care, June 29-Aug 28.

Fees for June 2020:

Before and After school care, 7:30-9 am, 3-6 pm

Fees for June 1-25:

Gr. 6-7, 1 day per week \$20, \$80.00 for the month

Gr. K-5, 2 days per week \$40, \$160.00 for the month

ESW multi grade, 5 days per week, \$100.00, \$380.00 for the month

Spare Time continues to follow health and safety guidance issued to us by the Ministry of Health and the Ministry for Children and Families, to prevent transmission of COVID-19 and maintain safe and healthy environments for children and staff.

COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for Child Care Settings:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/covid-19/covid-19-pho-guidance-childcare.pdf>

Please contact your centre directly to register for June.

We look forward to seeing you,

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