



COLLEGE HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our new and returning students back to College Heights Secondary School this September.

As you are aware, the Upper Grand District School Board has put extensive plans in place for the school year. Our school has now created plans that include both operational changes (how we manage the people and resources within the school) and health and safety changes (our response to the COVID-19 pandemic). We hope this letter will help answer your questions about the specifics about the opening day and first week of school.

Please also look through our board Parent Guide, for more detailed information about the changes for this school year. Below is also a link to the board's reopening schools website and the Parent Question and Answer (Q&A) page:

- [Link to Parent Guide](#)
- [Reopening Schools Website](#)
- [Link to Board Website and Parent Q & A](#)

Parent Responsibilities – Screening of Students

Parents/guardians are asked to perform a daily screening of their child(ren) for COVID-19 symptoms **BEFORE** leaving for school. Monitor your child for COVID-19 symptoms (see below).

Common symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever (temperature of 37.8°C or greater)
- New or worsening cough
- Shortness of breath (dyspnea)

Other symptoms of COVID-19 can include:

- Sore throat
- Difficulty swallowing
- New olfactory or taste disorder(s)
- Nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain
- Runny nose, or nasal congestion – in absence of underlying reason for these symptoms such as seasonal allergies, post nasal drip, etc.

If your child shows any signs or symptoms, they must stay home and the school must be contacted as soon as possible.

For additional information on symptoms, screening and more, please see the reference documents linked below.

- [COVID-19 Reference document for symptoms](#)
- [Public Health Resources for Parents](#)



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Student Personal Belongings

Students should keep personal items that they bring to school to a minimum. Lockers and change rooms will not be used for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will be required to keep all personal belongings with them throughout the day.

Secondary students are to bring:

- knapsack or tote bag for personal belongings
- face masks
- personal water bottle
- personal snack (cannot be shared)
- seasonal outdoor wear
- only those items that are necessary for the day (e.g. laptop, textbook, notebook, pens/pencils, calculator, etc.)
- personal technology can be brought in, but it cannot be shared and must be wiped down when it comes into the school

Technology/Chromebook Return

All students who were loaned Upper Grand District School Board technology to assist with Distant Learning must return these items on the first day of school for assessment. All technology will be assessed for functionality, and returned to students where applicable.

Student schedules/timetables

Please check the school website and social media pages regularly for updates. Information regarding student schedules, and timetables will be made available as soon as possible. Students will be able to use myBlueprint and/or Maplewood ConnectEd to view their timetables when the information becomes available. The student Daily timetable will follow the format below:

COLLEGE HEIGHTS IN PERSON LEARNING AND REMOTE SCHOOL: Grade 9-12 staggered entry (Cohort A-CHSS only has Cohort A) Please click the link here for the first Quadmester Schedule				
Monday Sept. 7	Tuesday Sept 8	Wed. Sept 9	Thurs. Sept 10	Frid. Sept 11
Labour Day	School Reorganization Students in Specialized Class Placements attend full day	School Reorganization Students in Specialized Class Placements attend full day	Grade 9 Orientation- Cohort A attends AM Students in Specialized Class Placements attend full day	



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Monday Sept. 14	Tuesday Sept 15	Wed. Sept 16	Thurs. Sept 17	Frid. Sept 18
Period 1-Regular Schedule begins All grades attend: Cohort A attends ** Secondary Remote Learning begins.	Period 1 Students Attend in school: 9:00-11:30 Lunch: 11:30-12:45 Remote Learning Support from Home: 12:45-3:15	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
Monday Sept. 21	Tuesday Sept 22	Wed. Sept 23	Thurs. Sept 24	Frid. Sept 25
Period 2-Regular Schedule begins	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2

First Day Procedures

Students will **enter and exit** the building through designated doors, based on their classroom location. All classrooms that have external access will use these doors to eliminate congestion in the halls. Parents/students can access the Entry/Exit map that is posted on the school website ([Entry/Exit Map](#)).

Students will be let in 15 minutes prior to classes beginning, and are not to linger in the hallways. They are to go directly to class. They will not have lockers but are to bring all their belongings to the classroom and hang their backpacks on the back of their chairs.

Expectations for Students in the School

All students are expected to follow the health and safety protocols in place around physical distancing, following markings and signs in the school, screening prior to coming to school, wearing a mask indoors and on the bus, hand hygiene etc.

Parent Access to Schools

Only essential visitors are permitted inside the school (e.g., maintenance personnel). Parents and all other visitors will not be permitted inside schools during the pandemic, except in case of emergency. In the initial stages of reopening, meetings with teachers and principals will take place virtually.

If your student is late, or needs to leave the building early, parents/guardians are required to call the school ahead of time to make arrangements. Please contact the school reception at 519 821 4510 ext. 301.

Communication with the School



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As information becomes available it is imperative that the school has up to date contact information. If your students address and/or phone number has changed over the summer, please contact the school to update your information.

Parents, Guardians, and Students are strongly encouraged to follow our social media accounts and the school website for important information.



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<https://www.ugdsb.ca/college-heights/>

Payment and Fees

Where fees are applicable, parents/students are encouraged to use SchoolCashOnline where possible. At this time we will not be collecting any fees.

Student Support

Supports are available to students. If students require additional support related to special education, mental health and wellness, academics, transitioning back to school and other concerns, staff are available to help. If your student requires academic support, please contact their resource teacher. The contact information for each resource teacher is below.

Marian Box	marian.box@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 305
Greg Smith	greg.smith@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 331
Erin Rivers	erin.rivers@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 307
Sarah Drost	sarah.drost@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 361
Kevin O'Brien	kevin.obrien@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 327
Caryl Durst	caryl.durst@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 312

If your student would like social, emotional, and/or mental health support please contact the appropriate support person listed before.

Jeff Patrick (CYC)	jeff.patrick@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 354
Dave Sevigny (Social Worker)	dave.sevigny@ugdsb.on.ca	519 821-4510 x 321

Thank you,

Paul Richard
Principal