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Hello everyone,

We are very excited to share with you that the Minister of Education, Adriana LaGrange, announced earlier today that the temporary shift to online learning from home will end this week. As anticipated, beginning on Tuesday, May 25th we will return to face to face in class instruction for all students in Chinook's Edge from K-12.

With students returning to school, please be fully aware that all of the previous restrictions mandated by Alberta Health Services and Dr. Deena Hinshaw will continue. Here is a quick reminder of how you can help us out as parents:

- Ensuring that if your child is attending class in grades 4-12 that they bring a mask to wear at school (and on the bus if applicable). If you have a medical exemption supported by a medical doctor please have a conversation with your child's principal so that they can work with you to plan some accommodations. (Please note that the document currently circulating on social media entitled "formal notice to superintendent of school board" in reference to an exemption from mask usage, hand sanitizer, and other restrictions has been shared with our legal department. They have deemed that this document is invalid in light of the current mandate from Dr. Deena Hinshaw and Alberta Health Services.)
- Reminding your child of the importance of hand sanitization and other safety protocols while at school.
- Assessing your child's health daily and keeping them home if they are sick or showing symptoms.
- Ensuring your child stays home for the duration of any self isolation period that has been put in place by Alberta Health.
- Keeping your child home if they test positive and contacting your school principal (outside of school hours please complete this <u>form</u>) as soon as you receive a positive test result.

Thanks again for your continued patience during these unpredictable times.

Yours truly,

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