

Consistency throughout the District – same info sent to school admin as parents (DPAC, PAC)

- Most of the discussions are verbal conversations and meetings, so not actually documented.
- Sr. Admin has committed to putting together documentation for PACs and school Admin so that we all have the same info.

We would like to have the same clarification for parents and school administration on hot lunches – what the District Directive is, what parents can do, and who can prepare food in the schools (ex. CLA had District staff preparing food in their kitchen in the past – is this acceptable now?). @ DPAC presentation, parents reported getting a different message than that given by Christa (Cindy) at the presentation.

- CLA : breakfast is still being prepared there, but the CLA Admin has chosen to switch to centralized meal prep (at PGSS)

Clarification of cohorts vs learning groups

- despite the confusion that is generated by the use of both terms in Ministry documents during the continuous updating, cohorts and learning groups are the same. There may be multiple classrooms (always the same ones) in a cohort/learning group.

Instructional minutes – do the ‘breaks’ that are not recess count towards instructional minutes? School days are shortened by the length of the breaks...

- ‘Instructional minutes’ are simply a measure of time a teacher spends with students. It is a term for the teacher’s contract requirements, not actually reflective of the amount of time students are being taught.

Plan for cold weather – will students be allowed in the school when they get there or will they have to wait outside until the doors are unlocked?

- Cold weather plans will be as normal. Extra resources will be in place by then to accommodate larger groups indoors.

Will the contact info collected from parents on image release forms be made available to PACs? When and how? Some concern that too much info was being asked for and should be limited to email addresses and/or phone numbers for texting.

- FOIPPA forms are part of the Policies being reviewed, so they will be re-issued this year. They are just waiting on approved new forms

Water fountains – WorkSafe required them to open up the spout type water fountains so no one would be denied water. Now Northern Health has told them to shut down those water fountains and seal them off. Bottle filler water fountains will remain accessible and in schools where there are no bottle fillers, water will be made available until they can be installed. Principals have been instructed to make sure paper cups are readily available for use if needed.