

Shuswap Adventist School Communicable Disease Plan for Students and Staff
September 1, 2024

BC Independent Schools are required by the Ministry of Education and Child Care to maintain a communicable disease plan.

Our planned health and safety measures include:

- a. Public Health Measures
 - a. SAS will cooperate with Interior Health and the Ministry of Education in any communication to the school community that concerns public health.
- b. Environmental Measures
 - a. A full cleaning of the school building will take place once per school day.
- c. Administrative Measures
 - a. Students who become ill while at school will be assessed. If deemed necessary, they will be isolated, and parents will be requested to bring them home.
- d. Personal Measures
 - a. Students and staff who are sick should not attend school. If health advice is needed, they should consult a health professional (e.g. phone 811).
 - b. Students and staff are encouraged to wash or sanitize their hands regularly through signage in washrooms.
 - c. Students and staff should maintain good hygienic practices, including coughing or sneezing into their sleeve.
 - d. Food & beverages are not to be shared.
- e. Personal protective equipment
 - a. The school does not require masks. Students and staff who prefer to wear a mask are welcome to do so. Masks are available in the office.
- f. Communication
 - a. The principal will share updates through school newsletters, group texts, and on the school website.
 - b. Please refer to the Ministry of Education website for further information.
 - c. Updates from the Provincial Health Officer can be found at: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/ministries/health>