

Nov. 29, 2021

Dear Staff of SD78.

Please note that Fraser-Cascade Schools in Hope and Agassiz/Harrison are expected to reopen on Tuesday, November 30. The decision comes after multiple conversations with Principals, surrounding districts, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Ministry of Education and the District of Hope. While the Hope community remains in a state of local emergency, our consultation with them has suggested that our schools are safe for students and the sooner our students can be in our schools, the more we move towards a state of normalcy. Boston Bar Elementary Secondary will continue with remote learning for this week until we see improvement in their highway accessibility.

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and local school districts have agreed to do their part in keeping traffic congestion to a minimum on Highway 7 and as such, have agreed to use adapted transportation plans for staff. Highway 1 remains closed at this time. We appreciate your cooperation and flexibility with the following bus transportation plans to keep our schools open:

## Staff who live in Agassiz/Harrison & Chilliwack and work in Hope:

- 7:00 Depart Agassiz Community Rec Centre (6660 Pioneer Ave.)
- 7:30-7:45 arrive in Hope for transportation to various sites
- 3:10 depart SCE
- 3:15 depart DEO
- 3:20 depart TREC
- 3:25 depart COQ
- 3:30 depart HSS
- 4:00 arrive at Agassiz Community Rec Centre

## Staff who live in Hope and work in Agassiz/Harrison:

- 7:45 depart HSS
- 8:15 arrive in Agassiz/Harrison for transportation to various sites
- 2:30 depart HHS
- 2:40 depart AESS & return to HSS

## Staff who live in Abbotsford, Mission, Surrey, Langley and Burnaby:

- Arrange transportation to and from their work site by contacting their Principal. They will contact me for specific arrangements, pick up and drop off times.

Thank you to all of our Fraser-Cascade Staff members for your adaptability during this unprecedented time.

Yours truly.

Balan Moorthy

Superintendent of Schools