

# Maryland Park Principal Report

## Wednesday, September 22, 2021



- We welcome 534 students to Maryland Park School during the first ten days of school. We have a few more students who have registered in the last day or two that are not in this count. We added one additional class in the spring to address class size and composition and we are monitoring the size of classes closely and being strategic in where we place students who registered in the fall.
- Adopt-a-School - Maryland Park School has been selected to be the adopted school for the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation by Coles in the Brandon Shoppers Mall from September 13 - October 3, 2021. Please consider making a donation using this link <https://bit.ly/aasmp> or visiting our Coles store on Saturday, September 25 or Saturday, October 2, 2021 between 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. On Saturdays, we have staff and student volunteers who are working at the store to get our community involved in this program. We are hoping to put lots of great books into our library as a result of this partnership. We had an overwhelming response from our school community when we asked for student and staff volunteers to support this initiative!
- Truth and Reconciliation activities are planned for next week Sept. 27—29, 2021. Please check out Instagram page and SeeSaw to see what is happening in our school.
- School photos are being done over the course of today and tomorrow by Imperial Photo (formerly Dale's Photography). We will let you know when you are able to view your proofs.
- We are using Instagram, SeeSaw, School Messenger, our school website, email, phone calls and Teams as our main communication tools. Your teachers are communicating their communication strategies to you as families and will include some or all of the above tools.
- All of our students have logged into Teams and SeeSaw as a first step in maintaining the continuity of learning if we needed to move a class or our school to remote learning. If you have not heard from your teacher regarding their communication strategies, please email them to check-in and ensure we have the right email address on file.
- School Handbook will be posted on our website later this week and will be sent home via School Messenger Friday.
- Just a quick reminder to pay your school supply fee using School Cash online if you have not done so already.
- We have continued to send newsletters home via School Messenger, SeeSaw (this was the first time), and they are posted on our website.
- Just a reminder students need to bring a water bottle to school everyday, as we cannot use our water fountains at this time. We only have access to our water fill stations.
- Just a reminder that we have no school on Thursday, September 30 and Friday, October 1, 2021.
- The teaching staff have completed scope and sequences for the learning outcomes that will be covered over the course of the year. We will be sending home this information in a brochure at the end of the first week of October.
- Vaccination Protocol
- Community Feedback?

## **Maryland Park School's Mission**

Maryland Park School is a safe and welcoming community that works together to ensure every student achieves high levels of academic, social, and emotional success.



## **Our Learning Beliefs and Collective Commitments to our Students and Families**

**We believe all stakeholders have a voice in our school community.**

**We will listen and consider all perspectives when making decisions that positively impact our school community.**

**We believe positive relationships provide the foundation for learning and foster a sense of belonging.**

**We will build meaningful connections with our students, colleagues, families, and community.**

**We believe every child deserves to feel safe, welcome, and valued.**

**We will provide an environment of respect and sense of belonging that supports the social-emotional needs of each child.**

**We believe students need to be independent learners who problem solve, think critically, and reflect on their learning.**

**We will ensure students have access to activities that foster exploration and discovery.**

**We believe students and staff need to have a growth mindset.**

**We will model and celebrate resilience, perseverance, risk taking, and an "I can" attitude.**

**We believe every child has strengths, gifts, and talents.**

**We will provide a variety of opportunities for students to further develop their strengths and share their unique gifts and talents while celebrating their individual growth.**

**We believe each child is an active partner in the learning process.**

**We will involve students in their learning by goal setting, identifying clear learning targets, self-assessment, and reflection.**