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August 28, 2020

Dear parents, guardians and students,

The staff and I are looking forward to welcoming students back to school in September, and are actively planning for the 2020/21 school year. In these uncertain times, we recognize that parents and students want to know what school may look like when we open our doors. In helping us to ready for the return of students, a survey was sent asking whether or not your child(ren) will be returning to GLC in September and to indicate a preference for the Morning or Afternoon Session. If you have not completed the survey, please do so ASAP.

The Surrey School District's goal is to have all students attend school everyday and maximize face-to-face instruction. **This will be the model implemented at all learning centres within the district.** That said, please note the following:

- courses will be structured into semesters
- students will be taking 2 or 3 courses during each semester depending on individual needs
- as always, students will be expected to complete courses in a timely manner by (before) the end of each semester

In keeping with the district's overall plan and the Provincial Health and Safety guidelines, we are looking to create cohorts of students for the Morning Session and Afternoon Session. Once these cohorts have been finalized, students will not be permitted to move between cohorts until the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Due to COVID 19 restrictions, students **will not** be scheduled for full days.

For students wishing to continue their learning remotely/online, the district does offer a full DL program, at Surrey Academy for Innovative Learning (SAIL). Parents/students can glean more information about this program through the following link:

<https://www.surreyschool.ca/K-12Schools/SurreyConnect/Pages/default.aspx>

A few last items regarding school opening:

- GLC office hours for Monday August 31 to Thursday September 3, 8:00am to 3:30pm
- September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, staff will be planning and preparing for the arrival of students
- September 10<sup>th</sup>, students will be expected to attend school for an orientation, for 1 to 1 ½ hours
- More information to follow on Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Classes begin Monday September 14<sup>th</sup>

Student course schedules will be available electronically by September 8<sup>th</sup>. To access your course schedule, log onto the MyEdBC portal at the following link:

<https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>. Instructions for the portal are also attached in this email. (Student Schedule info is on page 5.)

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

On behalf of the GLC staff,

Aileen Kinsella,  
Principal