

Manitoba K to 12 COVID-19 Response Planning Team
RECORD of DISCUSSION - DRAFT
1:30 – 2:45 pm September 23, 2020
Microsoft Teams Meeting

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2. Provincial Remote Learning Strategy - Dana Rudy

- **Use of Multi-Purpose Rooms and Community Spaces**

Deputy Minister Rudy ask about the extent to which school divisions have assessed alternative use of existing spaces, whether each division has conducted a thorough analysis of space and if there is still room for planning.

Responses indicated that for some schools divisions may have spaces that can be repurposed, but others do not. School divisions are aware of the provision in the K-12 guidance and protocols to use community spaces, but the costs, additional staffing and adherence to public health measures in community spaces are seen as barriers.

- **Standards and Expectation for Remote Learning**

Schools must work towards achieving the standards and expectations for remote learning, especially for students that require medical accommodations or in preparation for a shift to Orange or Red Response Levels.

No concerns were expressed by RPT members regarding the remote learning standards and expectations document. The document has been well-received, but there may need to be further clarification regarding a mandatory number of hours for learning and teaching each day.

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- **Consistency and Connectivity**

The province is developing provincial remote learning strategy to ensure consistent and equitable access to remote learning across the province. The strategy will not resolve existing related to connectivity, so for those without connectivity alternate ways of delivering remote learning will be needed.

3. K-6 Students of Critical Services Workers in Critical (Red) PRS Level

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- The ability for school divisions to operationalize the plan at the school level is key.

Follow-Up Item:

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