

Important Message Regarding Learning Groups

Good afternoon everyone. You have received or will be receiving an email identifying your child's Learning Group. Some information has been provided below to provide some clarity.

What is a Learning Group?

A *Learning Group* is a group of students and staff who remain together throughout the year. Each learning group will be a maximum of 60 students, but we are attempting to keep Learning Groups at 30 students.

Within the learning group, physical contact is discouraged, but a two-meter physical distance does not need to be maintained.

Interactions with those outside of the learning group will be limited and will require the two-meter physical distancing and the wearing of masks.

Any staff not included in the learning group (LST, SLP, Indigenous Liaison Workers, Counsellors, Youth Care Workers, Teacher Librarian, TTOCs, etc.) will distance themselves from students when working with them, whether in the Classroom or in an alternate learning space.

How was my child's Learning Group Determined?

Learning Groups have been determined through our computer timetabling system. Although some changes have been made, the selections are random.

Can I request a change to my child's Learning Group?

Due to Health and Safety and COVID 19 protocols we will not be able to change the composition of Learning Groups. At HMS we are at maximum capacity thus also making changes extremely difficult. Should you have extenuating circumstances and wish to discuss further please contact the school at <u>hms.info@mpsd.ca</u>

Thank you

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