The chart below outlines the differences between last year and this year. As always, the items listed in the 2021-2022 column are subject to change as the year unfolds. The list is not comprehensive, but highlight some of the big areas for our school.

	Last Year	2021-2022
Masks	Everyone in the school was required to be masked.	Students and staff from K-6 are required to wear masks when physical distancing is not possible. Everyone at school is strongly encouraged to wear a mask.
Recess/Breaks	Staggered recesses/breaks and cohort restrictions were in place.	No longer staggered although cohort restrictions remain in effect at this time.
Student Illness	Student who were ill were required to stay home and not attend until they were symptom free for 48 hours.	Students who are ill will be required to stay home until they are symptom free.
Washrooms	A wooden marker system was used to identify the age of students in the washroom so that cohorts did not mix in the washroom.	K-6 students will be required to wear masks in the washroom. Students across grade levels may use the washroom at the same time so long as efforts are made to maintain distancing and proper hand hygiene practices are followed.
Cohorts	Efforts were made to maintain the integrity of class cohorts during the school day.	Efforts will be made to maintain the integrity of an elementary cohort (K-6) and a senior cohort (7-12) during the school day.
Hygiene	Regular hand washing and sanitizing were required.	Regular hand washing and sanitizing are expected.
Student Travel	Students in Grades 7-12 stayed in their homeroom class for all instruction/class time.	Students in Grade 7-12 will travel between the Science Lab, Portable A, and other classrooms as needed.
Lockers	Midway through the year, lockers were made available for students in Grades 9-12.	Students from Grades 7-12 will have access to lockers from the beginning of the year.
Safety Drills	These were "walked through" in individual classes as whole school drills were not allowed.	Safety drills (evacuation drills, lockdown drills, and hold & secure drills) will be practiced as a whole school.
Field Trips	These were not allowed if busing was required.	The bus garage is accepting bus charters which means field trips will be allowed again.
Extra Curr.	These activities were not allowed last year.	We are currently planning for a return to extra-curricular activities. We are planning to share plans for extra-curricular activities while working to maintain relevant guidelines and recommendations as they emerge.
Shared Resources	Sharing school implements (pencils, scissors, etc.) between students was not allowed, and implements like toys for younger students and athletic equipment for older students was to be sanitized between uses.	Students are expected to maintain regular hand hygiene, and some shared supplies will be utilized in the early years.
Guests	Parents were permitted to enter the school for essential meetings only. Guests were restricted to essential personnel only.	Parents, community coaches, and other guests will be able to access the school building this year, following a personal pre- screening for symptoms and with masking required. A decision will be made regarding welcoming parent-volunteers in schools in the coming weeks.