



Abbotsford Traditional Middle School

Dear Parent/Guardians,

Your child has expressed an interest in participating in Basketball Skill Development practices, at Abbotsford Traditional Middle School. We are working with our coaches to ensure that this can happen in a safe manner. Safety is our number one priority while trying to maintain a sense of normalcy this year by offering Basketball Skill Development practices, but we will not be participating in competition at this time. We are using guidelines set out by the Ministry of Education, Provincial Health Officer, [Abbotsford School District's Totiltcha Future of Learning Plan 2020-21](#) and [British Columbia School Sports Return to Sport Plan](#) to ensure that this happens.

In stage 2, as per the Ministry of Education Restart Education Plan, co-curricular activities such as school sport may take place, but under the conditions as specified by the Ministry in the plan. This means that reduced physical contact training and friendly competition can take place within the educational cohorts (pods) students are placed in by their school for the delivery of the curriculum.

- Social distancing will still be maintained, and masks used for all aspects of preparing for the sporting activity
- Only during the actual activity, within the natural parameters of the sport, would there be a reduction in physical distancing, however it is noted that contact will be reduced. This eliminates any drills or contests where there is intense and/or prolonged physical contact (i.e. Line play in football, scrums in rugby etc).
- Coaches are required to adapt to the training environment to reduce physical contact in this stage.
- Students from different learning groups in the same school may participate together as long as there are strict physical distancing measures implemented. This always means maintaining a minimum of 2m of space.

Unfortunately, in most schools and for most of our activities, this will rule out traditional training environments or practices. Scrimmages or contests between cohorts, even in the same school are also prohibited in this stage.

Sign up **MUST** be completed on the ATMS website as well - [ATMS Basketball](#)

Please contact your child's coach if you have further questions.

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Sincerely,

Athletic Director - **Tanner Wellington**

Vice Principal - **Jennifer Bennato**

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