



## **Prioritizing Families**

PLASP Child care Services will re-open on **July 13, 2020** at all PLASP Early Learning and Child Care locations. Extended Day school age programs will resume in September.

PLASP Child care Services will strive to accommodate all families who want to return at this time. The Ministry of Education's Operational Guidelines during Covid-19 document states, however, that the maximum number of staff and children in a classroom will be 10. As a result, we will have limited capacity in our centres.

Priority placement principles will be considered when registration demand is higher than current spaces available. These principles could affect the order in which children are invited back into care.

### **Priority principles:**

- Children who attended Emergency Child Care with other providers and need to return to their original PLASP child care centre;
- Children whose parents/guardians must return to work outside of the home,
- Children of PLASP Child Care Services employees that must return to work outside of the home;
- Children with special needs;
- Other circumstances under the Child Care Supervisor's discretion will be considered.

*\* Children registered in a full-time program (5 days per week) at the point of closure and wish to continue in full time care will receive priority over children registered in a part time program.*

If after the principles above are applied and there are still more families that wish to return to child care than there is space, families that have been in care longer will be prioritized.

### **Keeping your child care space on hold:**

Spaces will be held for families currently registered with us and not ready to return to care at this time, or that we do not have a space for in the initial re-opening of the centres. Space availability in the future will be dependent on current registration levels and groups size maximums. When group size maximums do allow us to offer more spaces, the priority placement principles above will be used to invite more families back into care.

### **New Enrollment:**

Families will be placed on a wait list and will be contacted once a space becomes available.