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City of Maple Ridge to Reopen Playgrounds June 1

Maple Ridge, BC: In step with the majority of our Metro Vancouver municipal partners and School District No. 42, the City will reopen playground structures on June 1. We ask citizens to refrain from using playgrounds until June 1 to allow staff sufficient time to complete safety checks on equipment and remove caution tape. School District No. 42 will complete similar work on school playgrounds in the community.

As has been noted by Dr. Henry, COVID-19 is still circulating in BC and strict health protocols will be required for the foreseeable future. These protocols are essential as amenities reopen in the community:

- Continue to maintain six-foot physical distancing
- Share the space and park amenities - please maintain a six-foot (two-metre) distance while waiting
- Wash or sanitize your hands regularly (before and after play)
- Refrain from touching your face

Parents and caregivers are reminded to supervise their children's interactions around play structures. We all need to work together to control the spread of COVID-19. Park Ambassadors will continue to visit community parks to advise citizens on public health orders and protocols provided by the BC Centre for Disease Control.

Check the status of civic facilities here - [mapleridge.ca/2408](https://www.mapleridge.ca/2408).