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Policy recommendation:

1. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that jurisdictions develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to reintegrating students into schools during the pandemic. This approach should be guided by public health principles and include policies and protocols such as:
   a. Ensuring physical distancing and face mask requirements are in place.
   b. Implementing robust screening and contact tracing systems.
   c. Enhancing ventilation and cleaning measures in schools.
   d. Providing adequate access to personal protective equipment for staff.
   e. Developing clear procedures for managing sick students.

2. The Association also recommends that governments and school boards collaborate closely with public health authorities to ensure that all necessary public health measures are in place before schools reopen.

3. It is important to note that these recommendations are subject to change as more information becomes available and as circumstances evolve. Healthcare providers and school administrators should stay informed and adapt their strategies accordingly.

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