

Ottawa, August 21, 2020

Dear parents and guardians,

The *Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario* (CEPEO) is pleased to welcome your child to the [School Virtual Learning Program](#) (P.A.V.É.), a virtual education program for CEPEO students who have completed the choice of full-time learning from home.

We remind you that students enrolled in the P.A.V.É will receive instruction in both synchronous and asynchronous modes. These two modes are defined as follows:

- **Synchronous learning:** Learning that takes place in real time. Synchronous learning involves the use of text, video, or voice communication in a way that allows teachers and other school or board team members to teach students and establish real-time contact with them.
- **Asynchronous learning:** Learning that is not offered in real time. In asynchronous learning, students may be called upon to watch pre-recorded video lessons, complete assignments, or participate in online discussion groups.

In anticipation of the start of the school year, please take note of the following details:

Students with an Individual Education Plan - Kindergarten to Grade 12

For students who had an Individual Education Plan (IEP) in 2019-2020, the IEP will be revised in collaboration with the home school taking into account the virtual mode of delivery. It will be implemented by the teacher at the P.A.V.É.

Kindergarten- Senior Kindergarten

In the preparatory cycle (Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten program), 180 minutes of synchronous learning are planned for your child. This virtual learning respects the Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten Program for children which is focused on play and inquiry. Thus, the main learning focuses on four areas: 1. Belonging and contribution, 2. Self-regulation and well-being, 3. Demonstration of learning in literacy and mathematics and 4. Problem solving and innovations. Your child's teacher will contact you with more details.

Virtual welcome meetings for Kindergarten students and students recently enrolled in the **Senior Kindergarten** are planned. School entry will be staggered for all Kindergarten and Garden students registered with the PAVÉ. More details will be shared with you shortly to prepare you for this first day.



Grades 1 to 8

The P.A.V.É. for elementary (Grades 1 to 8) will provide 225 minutes of synchronous instruction per day for your child. This virtual education will meet all the requirements of the [Ontario curriculum](#) as well as the assessment of your child's learning, in accordance with the [Growing Success assessment policy](#). Your child's teacher will contact you to provide more information.

Grades 9 to 12

The P.A.V.É for secondary (Grades 9 to 12) provides 225 minutes of synchronous instruction per day. The mandate of the secondary P.A.V.É is to meet the conditions necessary to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), in accordance with the [Growing Success assessment policy](#). As the various CEPEO specialized programs are not offered there, a student who registers will find that the courses available will not necessarily correspond to the courses the student would have taken at his home school.

The schedule for Grades 9 to 12 students registered for P.A.V.É will be shared by email shortly. After having read the new schedule, the parent (or the student removed from parental authority) will be invited to complete a form confirming receipt and approval of the schedule. For any consultation need, a virtual individual meeting with a resource person will be offered. Schedules reserved for this purpose will be communicated to you when the schedules are sent.

Deadline for changing the mode of attendance: Monday August 24, 12 noon

You can still change your chosen school mode of attendance to back to in-person learning at school if you change your mind in light of this information. Please go to the [Parent Portal](#) to make this change **by August 24 at 12 noon**. After August 24, your change request will go through an approval process to ensure a safe return to the classroom and will be based on the following parameters:

Elementary level (K-8th grade)

You will need to allow up to 12 weeks for the change to take place in order to facilitate the safe integration of a new student into a cohort and allow for an analysis of the learning path of the student. We wish to specify that the CEPEO teams will do everything possible to allow a faster transition, if it is possible to do so.

Secondary level (9th-12th)

The change in the mode of school attendance can be made after the students have completed a half-semester (quadrimester). Each semester of the school year will indeed be divided into two. The student must therefore have completed half a semester before being able to change the mode of attendance.



- Quadrimester 1 from August 31, 2020 to November 6, 2020
- Quadrimester 2 from November 9, 2020 to January 29, 2021
- Quadrimester 3 from February 1, 2021 to April 16, 2021
- Quadrimester 4 from April 19, 2021 to June 25, 2021

The current situation continues to evolve and we will continue to send you regular updates on how the P.A.V.E works so that you are informed of the most recent developments. We also invite you to regularly consult the [P.A.V.É. website](#).

We are aware that some questions remain unanswered, but we would like to remind you that our teams will be with you throughout the school year. If you have any questions, we invite you to contact inscription-pave@cepeo.on.ca

We wish you a nice day.

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