

Ottawa, September 11, 2020

Dear parents and guardians,

I hope you and your loved ones are doing well. The return to school is now behind us and I would like to thank you for your cooperation. Thanks to you and our staff, your children were able to return to school in a welcoming and caring school environment in our schools or in virtual mode.

Protocol for suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19

We encourage you, if you have not already done so, to read the provincial government guidelines for the management of COVID-19 cases in schools ([Follow the link](#)) as well as the new government website on cases of COVID-19 in schools and daycares. The data is updated daily. You can visit the website by [clicking on this link](#).

Rest assured that the well-being and safety of students and staff remain our priority. All our schools strictly follow the instructions of government and public health authorities. You can find more information about our protocols on our [website](#).

We remind you of the importance of keeping your child at home if he or she is sick. Keeping your child home if he or she is sick is an important way to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Your cooperation in this area is essential.

We invite you to read this [information sheet](#) on the steps to take if your child is sick or has symptoms of COVID-19.

School transportation

As you know, all students who take the bus have been assigned a seat for the duration of the school year. We would like to remind you of the importance of respecting this seat assignment. We are counting on you to emphasize its importance to your child.

Arrival and departure of students

All of our schools take the necessary measures to ensure the health and safety of your children. We remind you that it is important for you and your child to follow the instructions that have been shared with you by your child's school for entering and leaving school. When picking up your children, we strongly encourage you to wear a mask if physical distancing cannot be observed, and we ask that you avoid grouping with other parents to socialize.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school.

Thank you for your usual cooperation and I wish you a wonderful weekend with your family.

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