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IMPORTANT UPDATE | SCHOOL PICTURES AND UPDATED PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES

Dear parents and guardians,

We wish to advise you that school photos will be permitted as of January 2021. Health and safety regulations will be respected. Given the circumstances, only individual photos of students will be offered. More details will be communicated to you in the coming weeks by your child's school.

REMINDER - Halloween

We would like to remind you of the following guidelines for Halloween celebrations in our schools:

- Wearing a mask remains mandatory for students in grades 4 to 12 and is strongly recommended for students in kindergarten to grade 3.
- Students will be allowed to wear a costume but without accessories. Those who wear a costume must wear it for the entire day and will not be allowed to change clothes.
- The distribution of treats or surprises is prohibited.
- Gatherings remain prohibited. Therefore, there can be no costume parade or any other activity that could lead to students gathering.
- All activities must ensure the protection of the usual cohorts of students.

You are invited to read the recommendations of your regional public health office for Halloween. Links to their websites are [available here](#).

Symptom Self-Assessment

We thank you for continuing to complete the COVID-19 symptom self-screening for each of your children every morning and for following the recommendations contained therein. The links to the self-screenings are available on the website of your child's school and on the [CEPEO website](#).

I wish you and your family a happy and safe weekend.

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