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IMPORTANT UPDATE: EXTENSION OF THE STAY-AT-HOME ORDER AND VACCINATION FOR 12 TO 17 YEARS OLD

Dear parents and guardians,

I hope you and your loved ones are doing well.

The Ontario government announced today that the Stay-at-Home Order is extended until at least June 2, 2021.

All schools remain closed until further notice and virtual learning continues with the exception of classes for students with complex special needs which will continue in person. Rest assured that you will be promptly notified should schools reopen.

Vaccination for 12 to 17 year olds

The government also announced that starting the week of May 31, young people aged 12 to 17 and their family members who have not yet been vaccinated will be able to make appointments at vaccination clinics, some of which will be intended exclusively for young people and their families.

For more information on the extension of the Stay-at-Home Order and vaccination, please read the press release by [clicking on this link](#)

Self-assessment and screening tests

Although the situation is improving, COVID-19 is still circulating in the community. It is therefore important to continue to follow all public health instructions. These measures include the daily COVID-19 symptom self-assessment available on our [website](#), as well as self-isolation and screening if you or your child have symptoms of COVID-19, even if your child is in virtual learning or you have been vaccinated.

Public health units remind us that COVID-19 vaccines are effective but that the body takes time to protect itself after receiving the vaccine, hence the importance of continuing to protect yourself and those around you.

I thank you for your cooperation and wish you a safe, sunny weekend with your family.

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