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IMPORTANT UPDATE | CONDITIONS FOR CLOSING A SCHOOL OR SCHOOLS

Dear parents and guardians,

As you know, the situation with COVID-19 continues to evolve. We are aware that many of you may be hesitant to send your child to school and even wonder why schools are still open.

In this regard, we wanted to share with you this additional information regarding the conditions under which schools may close.

The Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario may decide to close a school or schools under any of the following conditions:

- Receipt of a closing order from the Ministry of Education;
- Receipt of a closing order from the local public health unit;
- If a school is understaffed;
- or any other situation that could affect the health and safety of students and staff (e.g. gas leak, temperature too cold, etc.).

If you choose to keep your child at home, we encourage you to check his/her Classroom for assignments and contact your child's teacher(s) for instructions on how to continue learning asynchronously for the rest of the week. There will be no negative consequences for being absent this week.

If you need to borrow a technology tool, please request it here.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation,

Sylvie C.R. Tremblay Director of Education