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IMPORTANT UPDATE | Pandemic Management in our Schools

Dear parents and guardians,

I hope you and your loved ones are doing well.

As you know, the provincial government has recently announced a series of measures that will impact the management of the pandemic in our schools. Here is a summary of the most recent changes.

Indoor Gatherings for Grades 7-12

Indoor student gatherings are now permitted for students in grades 7-12, up to a limit of 50 people. Physical distancing, masking and distance between cohorts remain mandatory. Gatherings of students in grades K-6 remain prohibited.

Visitors

Certain categories of visitors now have access to our schools:

- Guest visitors as part of an educational program (e.g., first aid trainer, construction expert for presentation in a workshop, numeracy expert guest for presentation in a math class, etc.);
- Guest artists for performances;
- Guest speakers.

All authorized visitors must show proof of immunization and follow all health and safety guidelines.

Interschool Sports

Interschool sports competitions are once again permitted for elementary and high school students. All individuals participating in extracurricular sports and high-contact/high-intensity activities must wear masks but may remove them temporarily to actively participate in activities (for example, masks may be removed during a basketball game but must be worn on the bench).

Community Use of Schools

Community use of our schools will be permitted on Saturdays, starting March 5, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Ottawa high schools, including the Louis Riel Dome, with the exception of Pierre-de-Blois Public High School. Please note that for schools outside of Ottawa, no requests for weekend community use have been received.



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In closing, please be assured that these changes will be implemented in accordance with all our health and safety guidelines.

Thank you for your cooperation and I hope you enjoy the long weekend and Family Day with your children.

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Sylvie C.R. Tremblay
Director of Education

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