

HELLO SPRING



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Welcome to the **ELEVENTH EDITION** of our COVID-19 newsletter, where you will find information regarding the latest Ministry of Education directives and Public Health guidelines, as well as answers to some of the most frequently asked questions from parents and students.

The EMSB will continue to implement COVID-19 Ministry protocols for the 2020-2021 school year.

You have questions, we have answers! We invite you to have a look at our **COVID-19 FAQ**. Need more information? Please [contact us](#).



NEW DIRECTIVES FOR SECONDARY 3, 4 AND 5

As per the most recent directives given on April 6th, 2021, with regards to educational institutions, **SECONDARY 3, 4, AND 5 STUDENTS will return to attending classes on an alternating schedule starting April 12th.**

Students of Secondary 3, 4, and 5 will continue to follow their regular schedule and alternate between in-person and online classes with the same teachers and group to ensure the continuity of learning. When students are at home, they must be present for their online classes, following the instructions provided by the school.

As the end of the school year approaches, it is essential to remain aware of your child's academic progress. We encourage you to communicate with your child's school if he/she is struggling with online learning and/or experiencing difficulties coping with the effects of the pandemic.





NEW DIRECTIVES - EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, FIELD TRIPS AND PEDAGOGICAL PROJECTS

Starting on April 12th, 2021, in-person extracurricular activities **will no longer be permitted**, before and after classes or during lunch hour. Field trips and intramural activities are permitted, but only within the same class group. However, overnight stays are not permitted.

Special pedagogical projects can continue as long as the classroom bubble is respected. If this is not possible, a 2-metre distance between students from different class bubbles must be maintained at all times, and health guidelines must be strictly followed.



SCHOOL REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR 2020-2021 AND 2021-2022

The EMSB is now accepting registrations for this current school year as well as the upcoming school year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the registration office at the Administration Building and in our schools is open by appointment only; walk-ins are no longer accepted. We invite you to visit our new online platform, which features all pertinent information regarding registration and an online booking tool. You can also find a list of essential documents needed to complete the registration process and the health and safety measures to follow when visiting our facilities.

We ask that you kindly complete the questionnaire to ensure that you are directed to the appropriate office to apply for a Certificate of English Eligibility for your child. [Click here](#) to visit the page on our website.



PUBLIC HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS – REMINDERS AND TOOLS

As per Public Health's directives, we kindly remind you of the following:

- Assess your child's health before he/she goes to school using [The Self-Assessment Tool](#).
- To learn more about testing and self-isolation requirements, [click here for the Public Health tool for families](#).
- Evaluate whether your child may attend school under different circumstances. [Click here to view the COVID-19 Exclusion Criteria and Testing/Isolation Recommendations](#).

Continue to protect yourself and others from the spread of COVID-19!

It is a collective responsibility.

