



Commission scolaire English-Montréal

English Montreal School Board

Bureau du Directeur général
Office of the Director General

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Dear parent/guardian,

New preventative measures for schools in red zones throughout the province were announced last week by the Québec government for the education milieu in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As of Monday March 8th, all elementary schools of the English Montreal School Board are applying the new directives pertaining to the wearing of masks by students. The wearing of a procedural mask is mandatory for students in grades 1 to 6 in classrooms, common areas, and on school bus transportation. The wearing of masks will not be required for elementary students outdoors. The EMSB has made the procedural masks available to our students as of the first day of their return from Spring Break. Students are receiving 2 pediatric procedural masks per day. It is our goal to help prevent the spread of the virus and keep your children in school.

Please note that preschool students (prekindergarten and kindergarten) are not required to wear a procedural mask nor a face covering in school, but may do so if that is the wish of the parent.

There are no changes by the Québec government pertaining to the directives for students at the high school level. High school students must wear procedural masks provided by the school at all times while on school premises.

We remind you that according to Section 14 of the Education Act, school attendance is compulsory for children aged 6 to 15 years of age.

Should you have any inquiries regarding the new measures, please contact the English Montreal School Board.

Best regards,

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