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EMSB – EMERGENCY DAYCARE

Dear Parents

The government recently announced that exceptional measures must be taken in order to reduce the risks of spreading COVID-19. To that effect, it was decided that the number of class days on which students are physically present at school be reduced, starting on December 17. One of the planned measures involves the emergency daycare services to be provided.

Let me start off by confirming that the school calendar as originally set by your school is being maintained. Therefore, if vacation days have already been scheduled during this period, no emergency daycare services are required.

However, if a regular day of classes or a pedagogical day has been scheduled in the school calendar between December 17 and 22, inclusive, then emergency daycare services, daycare services must be provided at the locations listed on the Québec.ca website.

Availability of emergency daycare services

Emergency daycare services are provided under exceptional circumstances to parents who have no other option. Moreover, they are reserved for the children of parents who hold jobs that are on the list of essential services entitling them to emergency daycare services.¹

In accordance with government recommendations for limiting the risks of spreading the virus, these services should only be used by parents who are entitled to them and for whom it is the only option allowing them to report to work. Therefore, families with one parent at home—even if that parent is teleworking—should avoid using these services.

Registration

If you will need to use these services, an online registration form will be available from December 10 to 16, inclusive.

Parents are asked to register their children in advance by filling out the online form, but it will be possible to register in-person in the morning.
<https://www.quebec.ca/en/family-and-support-for-individuals/emergency-daycare-services/>





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Parents must register each of their children for each day that services are required. Upon your arrival at the emergency school daycare, you will be asked to fill out an information sheet.

No meal services will be offered, and no snacks will be provided. Please send a cold lunch or a hot meal in an insulated container. No other types of lunches are accepted.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to support your children in this extraordinary context.

¹ The list of jobs considered essential services is available on the Québec.ca website.

