

New Directives on Masks

Dear Parents,

As you may know, new preventative measures for schools in red zones throughout Québec were announced this week by the Québec government.

Effective Monday March 8th, all elementary schools of the English Montreal School Board will be applying the new directives.

Under these new directives, the wearing of a *procedural mask* will be mandatory for **grade 1 to 6 students – only** - in classrooms, common areas and on school transportation.

Other types of masks or face coverings are not acceptable replacements under this directive.

The wearing of masks will not be required for students during recess outdoors. Elementary school students will receive two child-sized procedural masks per day, provided at the school.

Please note that preschool students (k4 and k5) are not required to wear procedural masks in school and that protocol for lunch and Phys-Ed classes remain unchanged.

As this is a dynamic situation, should either the directives or the situation itself change, you will be so notified.

Looking forward to a safe return for all,

We thank you for continued patience, support and dedication.

Sincerely,

D. Cauchi, Principal.