



## Board Office

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Dear Parent / Guardian:

We look forward to having all students back to in person attendance this school year. We anticipate offering all students a full program of study and activities.

We will continue to balance our educational aims and the need to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection.

Specifically.

- Masks will be required for all staff, students and visitors indoors in our schools and while on school buses. We will continue to make disposable masks available to all students and staff.
- All staff and students are expected to screen for symptoms of COVID-19 daily and stay home if they are symptomatic.
- We will continue to optimize our school ventilation systems to achieve more frequent air exchange.
- We will continue to open additional spaces and stagger lunch and activity breaks to minimize crowding when students eat.
- We will continue to confine Kindergarten to Grade 8 students to single class cohorts in order to limit exposure.

Vaccination is the best protective factor against COVID-19.

Our Seven Oaks community has a high level of vaccine uptake and that will limit risk to everyone. All students born in 2009 or before are now eligible for vaccination. The more students and families that are vaccinated the safer our schools and community will be. Please do your part.

We look forward to this school year - to a full year of in person learning for all of our students and to a return to the classes, activities and extra-curricular programs our students deserve.

Sincerely,

Brian P. O'Leary  
Superintendent

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