

December 21, 2021

## RE: Return to learning for all students - January

Dear parent/guardian,

On Thursday, December 16, 2021 Quebec's Ministry of Education announced a delay to the reopening of in-person classes for secondary schools in the Province of Quebec. They followed with an announcement on Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup> that elementary schools and adult/vocational centres would also would also be delayed in re-opening. This action was taken in response to the growing numbers of COVID-19 cases in the province and the need to limit contacts between students.

The Lester B. Pearson School Board was slated to reopen on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. Instead, please take note of the following:

- In-person classes at all levels will begin on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Parents and students should monitor their inboxes prior to January 5<sup>th</sup> for messages concerning activities for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- We do not anticipate a full day of online learning on January 5<sup>th</sup>. We do expect that there will be some form of direct contact between teachers and students on January 5<sup>th</sup> to orient activity for the days to come.
- Students who lack a device or lack connectivity should make their needs known to their school by email ahead of January 5<sup>th</sup>.
- For elementary students, emergency daycare services will be made available for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. For parents that require this service, we ask that you please take note of the following dates:
  - Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> you will receive an email with a Google link to register for emergency daycares. The link will be made available as of 8:00am
  - Please complete registration as needed for the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> of January as this will allow us to staff appropriately
  - o Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm registration will be closed

Lastly, this is a very fluid situation and a great deal could happen between now and January 5<sup>th</sup> to modify our current plans. We shall keep you informed of any changes which take place as soon as we are aware of them.

Please stay safe and thank you for your understanding as we all face this unprecedented health crisis together.

Lester B. Pearson School Board Administration