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Director of Education

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

On June 26th and 27th, the G20 Summit, which convenes world leaders to discuss international economic cooperation, will be held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre in downtown Toronto.

As educators, we recognize that the G20 Summit is an incredible teaching and learning opportunity for our students. Resources will be made available to schools to support learning on topics like world peace, the global community and the importance and value of democracy for all citizens around the globe.

A special G20 Integrated Security Unit (ISU) consisting of teams from various police services and the Canadian Forces has been created to ensure the safety of the international Summit attendees, other visitors and those who live and work in the community.

In advance of the Summit, the Security Unit has set up security zones surrounding the Summit venue which will result in traffic restrictions, delays and road closures. Along with potential public demonstrations in downtown Toronto there may be an indirect impact on our schools located within an area identified by the Board.

Schools in the general area close to the Summit venue will receive a second letter in the coming weeks.

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) has a team in place and we have been working closely with the Security Unit to minimize the potential impact of their security operations on our schools.

We are committed to keeping all our staff, students, parents and school communities informed. If you have any questions on how this may impact your child/children, please contact your school principal directly.

For additional information please visit our website at www.tdsb.on.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Chris Spence'.

Chris Spence
Director of Education