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## Re: Important Update re Tuesday January 18

Dear Child Care Partners,

As you may be aware, earlier this evening the City of Toronto declared a [major snow storm condition](#) in Toronto in response to the significant snow and is encouraging residents to stay home after this snowfall to allow roads and sidewalks to be cleared properly.

At the TDSB, we are also faced with a number of concerns:

- Students may not be able to walk to school safely given the road conditions and snow drifts in some neighborhoods.
- School bus operators say many buses will likely be delayed, experience issues, and in some cases cancellations.
- While plowing on and around school grounds is underway, it will likely not be complete prior to the start of the school day and schools may or may not be accessible.
- We know that staff, who live across the GTA, may not be able to make it into school, which would require mixing of classes and cohorts which TPH has asked that we avoid doing except in emergencies as part of the ongoing COVID-19 safety measures.
- There are 36 TDSB schools that must first have the heavy snow removed from their roofs prior to occupancy, something that could not be done today due to

weather and road conditions. Please note that any child care centres located in those schools (listed below) will be closed tomorrow as a result.

With all of this in mind, **we have made the decision to close all schools to in-person learning for Tuesday, January 18.** In line with this closure, all before-and after-school programs will also stay closed. Child care programs serving infant, toddler and pre school programs may continue to operate, however families are encouraged to connect directly with the child care operators to confirm they are open as some programs may choose to close due to the weather.

**Please note that if your child care program operates in the following schools, you will need to communicate to families, that your program will be closed;**

- Beaumonde Heights JMS
- Briarcrest JS
- Chester ES
- Clinton St. Jr. PS
- Cottingham JPS
- Deer Park J& SPS
- Ellesmere-Statton PS
- Etobicoke CI
- George Vanier SS
- Grenoble PS
- Guildwood JPS
- Humbercrest PS
- Kew Beach JPS
- Malvern CI
- Martingrove CI
- Military Trail PS
- Milne Valley MS

- Park Lane PS
- Perth Avenue JPS
- Rene Gordon Health and Wellness Academy
- Scarlett Heights Enterprise Academy
- Shirley Street JPS
- Taylor Creek PS
- Three Valleys PS
- Wandering Spirit School
- Western Tech CS
- Westmount JS
- Wexford CS for the Arts
- Woburn CI
- Woodbine MS
- Brookview MS
- Emery MS
- George S Henry Academy
- Northview Heights SS
- Parkdale CI
- Westview Centennial SS

Please stay connected to our [website](#) for the most up to date information. We thank you for your continued understanding and patience.

Sincerely,

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