

Thursday, March 26, 2020

Hello:

I hope that you and your loved ones are doing well in these challenging times. Our students, their families, and our staff's wellbeing, is by far the number one priority at this time. We extend genuine gratitude to everyone on the front lines, for your commitment to our community's ongoing care.

Premier Ford has indicated that Ontario schools will be closed beyond April 6th. There is no information on when they will reopen. In the meantime, the Ministry of Education has provided a link to [Learning at Home](#). Further to that, each board offered additional resources that support your child's learning during this period:

- TDSB: [Student Learning Resources](#)
- TCDSB: [Learning Resources](#)
- YCDSB: [Learn at Home Online Resource](#)
- YDSB: [Online Resources for Parents, Families and Students](#)
- DPCDSB: [Online Learning Resources](#)

For the time being, please have your child look over the websites and use the resources that are there. This week and next week, we are working to establish a process that will connect students with teachers in order to deliver curriculum moving forward. We will be communicating with you in the coming days with more information. Please have your son/daughter check their email at least once a day as this will be a main method of communication between teachers and students moving forward.

As we live through this pandemic, its effect on our Mental Health and especially on that of the children is clearly an aspect that cannot be overlooked. All of our students' wellbeing and mental health is an important focus at the TDSB. Both school-based staff and the Board's Professional Support Services share responsibilities for supporting student well-being. Students can reach out to any one of our staff if they need to and we will do our best to help. Staff can be emailed using [FirstName.LastName@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:FirstName.LastName@tdsb.on.ca). Further, a variety of [Mental Health and Well-Being Resources](#) for students and families are available on the TDSB website.

Finally, I will endeavor to keep our community updated as pertinent information becomes available. Please do not hesitate to email us if you have any questions. We will try to respond as quickly as possible. Currently, as there are a lot of unknowns, please be rest assured that discussions and preparations at the Ministry, Board, and school levels are ongoing. I ask that you continue to refer to the TDSB News page where you will find our Director's letters that give a board perspective on the current situation and up to date information that concerns all students (<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/news>).

On behalf of our entire staff, we wish all of our students and their families, health and safety during this time.

Sincerely,  
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