

April 6, 2021

Dear Child Care and Before- and After-School Program Colleagues,

This is a very important update about the status of in-person learning at the TDSB. Toronto Public Health (TPH), has just announced that **all schools in Toronto, including those at the TDSB, will be closed to in-person learning as of Wednesday, April 7, 2021 and remain closed up to and including Sunday, April 18, 2021.** This TPH order is being made under Section 22 of Ontario’s Health Protection and Promotion Act in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19.

During this time, including over the scheduled Spring break, TPH has advised that before- and after-school programs for students in kindergarten to grade 6 located in schools are not permitted to offer care. Before- and after-school program staff are advised to bring home all essential items at the end of the day today. Child care programs serving infants, toddler and preschoolers may continue to operate during this period, unless otherwise advised by TPH.

Further information will be posted on our website at [www.tdsb.on.ca](http://www.tdsb.on.ca) but we ask that program operators please connect directly with the families in your programs so they are aware of this direction and required program closure.

We appreciate your continued understanding, as we all work to navigate through this together. Please don’t hesitate to connect with our team should you have any questions.

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