



CLEARPOINT ELEMENTARY IB WORLD SCHOOL

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Dear Clearpoint Parents:

Recent announcements from the Quebec Government have confirmed the return to in-person classes as of this coming Monday, January 17. Communication from the Lester B Pearson School Board was sent out to all parents on Jan. 14 with details regarding the return to in-person classes. There are some important changes to our protocols starting on January 17. Please read the information below carefully.

Groupings at School

-We will not be resorting to the class bubble system that was in place during the previous school year. However, we will be taking steps to limit the extent to which students from different homeroom groups will be able to interact:

- No extracurricular activities or field trips until further notice.
- Students from individual home rooms will not mix for any activities at school until further notice.
- Daycare groups will include students from different homerooms, but students from different grades will be kept 2m distant if they are in the same daycare group.

Sanitary Measures

-All staff and all students in grades 1 – 6 must wear procedural (medical) masks at all times while in the school building and on while on the bus.

-Students in K-4 and K-5 must wear a mask while on the school bus, and we continue to strongly recommend that preschool students wear masks as well while inside the school building.

-Procedural masks will continue to be distributed to students as needed throughout the school day.

-Regular handwashing and/or sanitizing protocols remain in place.

-Regular sterilization of frequently touched surfaces will continue.

-Classroom windows will be kept open as much as possible (note: cold temperatures will obviously limit the extent to which this can be done).

Rapid Testing

-As soon as they are made available to the school, additional rapid test kits will be distributed to students to bring home. We will notify parents when this happens.

-Rapid testing will continue to be available to students during the school day should they start to show symptoms at school after having arrived. **Parental consent must be given either in writing or on Mozaik prior to a rapid test being given at school.**

Positive Test Results / Class Closures

-Positive test results will no longer be reported to either the community, or to the parents of students in the same class where a student may have tested positive. As noted in the parent memo from the Lester B Pearson School Board sent on Jan. 14, an alternative method to communicate with parents about cases in their child(ren)'s class(es) is being developed by the school board. More details about this reporting process and how it will work will be made available to parents as soon as possible.

-If a student tests positive, the quarantine period has been reduced to 5 days from the onset of symptoms.

-Household contacts (siblings) of anyone who tests positive must also isolate for 5 days.

-A student who tests positive may return to school after 5 days if:

- Symptoms recede and there is **no fever for 24 hrs**
- They test negative with a rapid test
- If the rapid test results on day 5 are positive, an additional 5 days of isolation will be required

-At this time there have been no provisions made for class closures should there be multiple positive cases within the same class. This is subject to review of any specific circumstances by Santé Publique.

-Students who are symptomatic using the criteria from Santé Publique's self-assessment tool will be assumed to be positive for the purposes of isolation (as above). [Click here](#) to see the list of symptoms for COVID-19.

-Please note that these measures are subject to change as we receive up-dated directives from DRSP (Public Health) and or the Ministry of Education. We will continue to do our best to keep parents up-to-date with the latest information.

Open House

-Our Open House will be done using a virtual format again this year. We will be using a "Town Hall" format with presentations from the administration and staff, and which will allow for a parent Q & A. It will take place on Tuesday, January 18 from **6:30 to 8:00 p.m.**

[Click here](#) for the zoom link.

Registration for 2022-23

-The Registration period for 2022-23 is now underway. Appointments can still be made for sibling registration (students who will be in K-4 & K-5 for next year). Please contact our school secretary, Angelika Witzmann at (514) 798-0792 to make an appointment to register your child for next year.

-New student registration begins as of January 24th. Again, contact our school secretary, Angelika Witzmann to make an appointment to register your child for next year.

-More information regarding the registration process is posted on our school website. [Click here](#) to see more details.

Junglesport

-As noted above, all extracurricular activities have been cancelled until further notice. Unfortunately, this means that we will not be able to offer Junglesport to our students this year.

First Term Report Cards

-There will be no changes to the schedule for the release of first term report cards to parents. First term reports will be made available to parents on Mozaik on January 19.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

-Parent-Teacher interviews by invitation will be scheduled during the day on Friday, January 21 via zoom. Should your child's teacher request that you attend an interview, he/she will contact you to schedule a time. Should you be unavailable on that day or should you not have been contacted and still request a meeting with your child's teacher, a meeting can be scheduled during the teachers' availability.

-Note that Friday, Jan. 21 is a board-wide ped day. Daycare services will be available to all registered daycare students.

Chromebook return

-For students in K-4 / K-5 we ask that parents please return borrowed chromebooks at the main office during the school day on Monday, Jan. 17. Please use the re-usable Metro bags that were provided during the pick-up on Jan. 6.

-For students in grades 1-6 please have the chromebooks returned in your child's school bag.

-Please make sure the power cord is returned along with the chromebook.

I am very happy to inform you that I am feeling much better. After having a consultation with a neurologist and a very positive prognosis, I am able to return to work as of this Monday. I would like to thank the many parents who wrote and gave their encouragement and support. I would also like to thank Ms. Layla Barroca, Mr. Mathieu Larocque and the entire staff of Clearpoint who ensured that all ran well during my absence.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any questions or concerns you may have about the information above, or about any other matter. You can email me at destok@lbpsb.qc.ca or call or text me at (514) 773-7989. Note that the weekly newsletter will resume at the end of this coming week.

Sincerely,

David Estok,
Principal