

HWDSB

March 13, 2020

Dear Families,

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board supports the Ministerial Order as an effort to contain the spread of COVID-19. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we engage the direction to close schools from March 14 to April 5.

The following direction from the Ministry of Education and Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board applies as of Saturday, March 14, 2020 to Sunday, April 5, 2020:

- All elementary and secondary schools, Education Centre, childcare centres in schools, EarlyON Child and Family Centres and all other off-site locations connected with HWDSB are closed.
- All March Break camps, Community Use/Rentals, and Before- and After-School programs are cancelled.
- Excursions, Board Meetings, committees, co-op placements, School Council and Home & School Association meetings, mental health treatment programs, school events, and athletics, including OFSSA, are cancelled.

HWDSB staff will be accessible remotely to respond to all inquiries from students, families, the community, clients and vendors during the timeframe of this Ministerial Order.

We will maintain our high standards of customer service under these conditions. Although our buildings are unable to welcome visitors, please contact 905-527-5092 or email info@hwdsb.on.ca.

Stay connected with HWDSB during this time. Throughout this time of the Ministerial Order, families will receive information in a timely manner using our notification system, School Messenger, at the direction of Public Health or HWDSB.

Learn more about the Ministerial Order and critical Public Health notices, such as travel advisories and preventative measures, at the following website: www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/novel-coronavirus/

Sincerely,



Alex Johnstone
Chair of the Board



Manny Figueiredo
Director of Education