

August 17, 2020

Dear Parents,

Although not a typical summer break, we do hope that you have been able to recharge, relax and enjoy the warm weather we experienced this summer.

The start of the new school year is fast approaching. Everyone in our schools and here at the school board have been busy planning the welcome back for students on August 31st. In June, we sent you a message outlining some of the measures that would be in place for students that were based on the information we had received from the Ministry of Education.

On August 10th, the Education Minister, Mr. Roberge unveiled his new plan for Back to School 2020. You can find all the documents, the letters and a link to the Ministry's (MEES) page on our website under the [Back to School 2020 section](#). We will continue to post the information in a timely manner, which in many cases, will be in French followed by the English version as soon as we receive it. Please [visit the page](#) frequently for updates.

We realize that many of you have mixed emotions and concerns about the upcoming school year. Although the Province has made great strides in flattening the curve of COVID-19, we must remain vigilant and follow the recommendations of Public Health. Rest assured that we will be applying the health and sanitary measures as required in the MEES plan, and the recommendations from Public Health. Our school teams are dedicated to providing a safe learning environment for their students.

In the coming days, you will receive further information to help you plan for the first day of school, which will include information about transportation.

Once again, thank you for choosing the Eastern Townships School Board for your child(ren). As always, our students and staff's well-being and security are our first priority.

Regards,



Michael Murray, Chairman



Michel Soucy, Director General