

March 15, 2021

Deconfinement for Sports and Extracurricular Activities

Dear Parents,

On March 12th, the Minister for Education and the Minister for the Status of Women, Isabelle Charest, announced a gradual return to sports and recreation activities as of March 26th.

For orange zone regions (which cover the whole of the ETSB territory), the following will apply as of **Friday March 26th**:

- Sports and extracurricular activities, indoor and outdoor, may take place with students from different class groupings within the same school, but still restricted between different schools.
- Non-contact outdoor activities will be permitted for groups of a maximum of 12 individuals plus one person supervising the group.
- Non-contact indoor activities will be permitted for groups of a maximum of 8 individuals. These activities must be supervised.
- Intramural games and competitions are not permitted.
- Spectators are not permitted during any of these activities.
- Sanitary measures must continue to be respected, including social distancing.

Here are reminders from our [March 5th](#) communication, and as mentioned above, additional easing of some measures will be in effect as of March 26th.

- Extracurricular and cultural activities may begin again on March 15, 2021, but only within the same class group.
- Field trips may begin again on March 15, 2021, but only within the same class group, provided that current health measures are respected.
- Students continue eating lunch with their stable class group
- Elementary Schools:
 - All students from grades 1-6 must wear a face covering when going from one area to another, in common indoor areas, and on school transportation.
 - All students in grades 5 & 6 must also wear a face covering when in class.
- Secondary Schools:
 - All students must continue to wear a procedure mask at all times, including in the classroom, in common areas, outdoors on school grounds and on school transportation.

- Students in secondary 3, 4, & 5 continue to attend school in person every other day, alternating with online learning.
- [What to do if you or your child have COVID-19 symptoms](#)

[At school, I protect myself and others! Wearing a Mask - English version](#)

Once again, I would like to thank you for your collaboration in working together with school personnel to help keep our schools a safe and secure place to learn. As we move forward through this year, we will continue to keep you informed on a regular basis.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michel Soucy', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michel Soucy, ETSB Director General