

FOR DPCDSB SCHOOLS LOCATED IN PEEL REGION

***Excluding Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School**

January 18, 2022

As we continue to operate in this ever-evolving pandemic environment, we find ourselves in a position to make some operational decisions that will impact parents/guardians, students, and staff alike. In this bulletin, we will speak to two such decisions that will be a change from our current practice.

BUS CANCELLATIONS AND SWITCH TO REMOTE LEARNING FOR THE DAY

Back in October, DPCDSB switched to a protocol where schools were grouped in designated transportation zones and if buses were cancelled in a specific Zone, all schools in that Zone were closed to students and students switched to remote learning for the day.

Mississauga, Brampton, and Caledon (Peel Region), which are served by Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR), are divided into three zones, ZONE 1, ZONE 2 and ZONE 3. DPCDSB schools located in Peel Region are assigned to one of these three zones. (See a list of the schools located in each of the three zones to find which zone each school is located included in this bulletin).

Subsequently, as part of the return to in-person learning in January 2022, this protocol was revised where, in the event of bus cancellations, schools would remain open to students.

Effective immediately, DPCDSB is reverting to the October protocol whereby, if buses are cancelled in a designated transportation zone, all schools in that zone will be closed to students and students will learn remotely for the day. We want to avoid combining classes when we know ahead of time that this can be avoided. Given the possibility of supervision challenges on bus cancellation days and the likelihood of combining cohorts we will switch to remote only for those schools impacted.

Parents are advised to ensure their child(ren) has access to a device in the event schools switch to remote learning. Should you require a device, please contact your child(ren)'s school.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF IN SCHOOLS LOCATED IN PEEL REGION

- The school will be closed to students and staff.
- Students will switch to remote learning for the day and log on to their Learning Management Systems (LMS), to participate in live learning.
- Teachers should follow their regular daily schedule from bell time to bell time, including lunch and/or recess. The instructional day will mirror the regular day (i.e., including recesses and lunch break and start and end times) All teaching and learning is to be live.
- Full-time remote learners and remote educators will continue with their regular remote learning program on that day.

ANTICIPATED BUS DRIVER ABSENCES DUE TO COVID-19

Over the next little while, it is anticipated that bus driver absences due to COVID-19 will impact the ability of STOPR to service all DPCDSB bus routes on a regular basis. While every effort will be made to maintain bus service to the extent possible, driver absenteeism may result in significant delays and/or temporary bus

cancellations. If a spare driver cannot replace an absent regular driver on a route, a route may be cancelled for a period of time consistent with current public health self-isolation requirements (in most cases, for up to five days).

STOPR will make every attempt to post notifications of delays and/or cancellations as soon as possible. Alerts will include late bus route/run information, cancellation notifications, and anticipated return to service dates. Parents/guardians are reminded to check the STOPR website, and if they haven't already, create an account to sign up and receive service alerts at <https://www.stopr.ca/inclement-weather/sign-up>. Updates are also available on Twitter at @STOPRinfo.

WHAT IF MY SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN A ZONE THAT IS OPEN BUT IS SERVICED BY BUSES THAT ORIGINATE IN, OR TRAVEL THROUGH, ANOTHER ZONE WHERE BUSES ARE CANCELLED?

This scenario would only occur at a few DPCDSB schools. Additional messaging will be sent to families of those schools.

HOW DO I KNOW THERE IS A BUS CANCELLATION?

Bus cancellations continue to be typically posted by 6:00 am or shortly afterwards in the following ways:

SOCIAL MEDIA

- [Twitter: @STOPRinfo](#)
- [Twitter: @DPCDSBSchools](#) | [Instagram: @DPCDSB.Schools](#) | [Facebook: @DPCDSBSchools](#)

WEBSITES

- [Student Transportation of Peel Region \(STOPR\)](#)
- [DPCDSB \(Yellow ALERT banner at dpcdsb.org\)](#)

RECORDED PHONE MESSAGE

- 905-890-0708

QUESTIONS?

Parents/Guardians: If you have questions related to bus cancellation days, please contact your child(ren)'s school.

DPCDSB Staff: If you have questions related to work expectations on bus cancellation days, please contact your principal/supervisor.

REPORTING ABSENCES

DPCDSB is poised to begin daily absence reporting tomorrow, as per Ministry of Education direction. This information can be accessed through the DPCDSB website.

In addition, the principal of a school will advise parents/guardians if there is a presumed case of COVID-19 in a class only when a parent/guardian or staff member volunteers the information to the principal. It is NOT a requirement for staff or parents/guardians to report a presumed case of COVID-19 to the principal or to Public Health. We are unable to confirm a positive case, nor identify the isolation period or the period of communicability. We will NOT be dismissing classes or cohorts. It is important to note that because an individual has no obligation to report a positive case to the principal, the principal may not be aware of all positive cases in the school.

Thank you for your attention to these important updates.

DPCDSB SCHOOLS BY WEATHER ZONES

ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3
ALL SAINTS	BISHOP FRANCIS ALLEN	HOLY FAMILY
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD SS	BLESSED MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY	ROBERT F. HALL SS
BISHOP SCALABRINI	CARDINAL AMBROZIC SS	ST CORNELIUS
CANADIAN MARTYRS	CARDINAL LEGER SS	ST JOHN PAUL II
CHRIST THE KING	FATHER CLAIR TIPPING	ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
CORPUS CHRISTI	FATHER CW SULLIVAN	ST MICHAEL SS
DIVINE MERCY	FATHER FRANCIS MCSPIRITT	ST NICHOLAS
FATHER DANIEL ZANON	GEORGES VANIER	
FATHER MICHAEL GOETZ SS	GOOD SHEPHERD	
HOLY CROSS	GUARDIAN ANGELS	
IONA SS	HOLY NAME OF MARY SS	
JOHN CABOT SS	HOLY SPIRIT	
LOYOLA SS	LESTER B. PEARSON	
MARY FIX	NOTRE DAME SS	
METROPOLITAN ANDREI	OUR LADY OF FATIMA	
OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE	OUR LADY OF LOURDES	
OUR LADY OF MERCY	OUR LADY OF PEACE	
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SS	OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE	
Philip Pocock SS	PAULINE VANIER	
QUEEN OF HEAVEN	SACRED HEART	
SAN LORENZO RUIZ	ST AGNES	
ST ALBERT OF JERUSALEM	ST AIDAN	
ST ALFRED	ST ALPHONSA	
ST ALOYSIUS GONZAGA SS	ST ANDRE BESSETTE	
ST BARBARA	ST ANGELA MERICI	
ST BASIL	ST ANNE	
ST BERNADETTE	ST ANTHONY	
ST BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX	ST AUGUSTINE SS	
ST CATHERINE OF SIENA	ST BONAVENTURE	
ST CHARLES GARNIER	ST BRIGID	
ST CHRISTOPHER	ST CECILIA	
ST CLARE	ST DANIEL COMBONI	
ST DAVID OF WALES	ST EDMUND CAMPION SS	
ST DOMINIC	ST EVAN	
ST EDITH STEIN	ST FRANCIS XAVIER (BRAMPTON)	
ST EDMUND	ST ISAAC JOGUES	
ST ELIZABETH SETON	ST JACINTA MARTO	
ST FAUSTINA	ST JEAN BREBEUF	
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI	ST JEAN-MARIE VIANNEY	
ST FRANCIS XAVIER SS	ST JOACHIM	
ST GERARD	ST JOHN BOSCO	

ST GREGORY	ST JOHN FISHER	
ST HELEN	ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN (Prev. Cardinal Newman)	
ST HERBERT	ST JOSEPH (BRAMPTON)	
ST HILARY	ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA	
ST JAMES	ST KEVIN	
ST JEROME	ST LEONARD @ 30 SUMMER VALLEY DR (ST. RITA)	
ST JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC SS	ST LUCY CATHOLIC	
ST JOHN OF THE CROSS	ST MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS	
ST JOHN XXIII	ST MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE SS	
ST JOSEPH (MISS)	ST MARIA GORETTI	
ST JOSEPH SS	ST MARY (BRAMPTON)	
ST JUDE	ST MONICA	
ST JULIA	ST OSCAR ROMERO	
ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC LC	ST OSCAR ROMERO @ West Drive	
ST LOUIS	ST PATRICK	
ST LUKE	ST RITA	
ST MARCELLINUS SS	ST ROCH CATHOLIC SS	
ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND	ST STEPHEN	
ST MARK	ST THOMAS AQUINAS SS	
ST MARTIN SS	ST URSULA	
ST MATTHEW		
ST OSCAR ROMERO @ Blessed Trinity		
ST PAUL SS		
ST PHILIP		
ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA		
ST RAPHAEL		
ST RAYMOND		
ST RICHARD		
ST ROSE OF LIMA		
ST SEBASTIAN		
ST SIMON STOCK		
ST SOFIA (Byzantine Rite)		
ST TERESA OF AVILA		
ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA		
ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS		
ST THOMAS MORE		
ST TIMOTHY		
ST VALENTINE		
ST VERONICA		
ST VINCENT DE PAUL		
STS MARTHA AND MARY		
STS PETER AND PAUL		