

September 2, 2021

As a follow-up to the Community Information Bulletin sent to DPCDSB families yesterday, we want to clarify that the process of verification is to ensure that all students and staff in our schools have taken the daily COVID-19 self-screening using the [Province's COVID-19 screening tool](#) before coming to school.

This has been mandated by the Province of Ontario and is not optional.

Last year, all students were required to undertake daily COVID-19 screening before coming to school. Secondary students were required to undergo verification that they had taken and passed the screening when they arrived at school.

The difference this year is that the province has mandated that ALL STUDENTS (secondary and elementary) undergo verification that they have taken and passed the screening daily.

When students arrive at school, they are required to indicate they have taken and passed the screening each day. This will take place as the students enter the building or during attendance.

Students with a Smartphone may take a screenshot of the results (which simply say that they have passed the screening) as illustrated in Figure 1.

Another option is to display a card with a check mark on it which indicates as well that they have undertaken the screening and are able to come to school.



Figure 2 Sample pass on Backpack

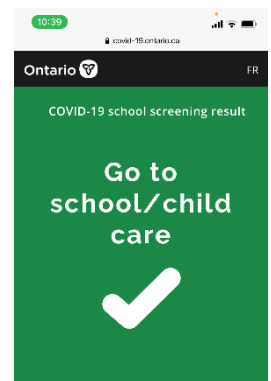
We provided parents/guardians with an attachment with four such cards with the Bulletin sent yesterday. An option is to print one of the cards and affix it to your child's backpack. An example of this is provided in Figure 2.

**If parents are unable to print a card, please request one from your child's school and it will be provided to you.**

Anyone who does not pass the screening (which involves answering yes to any of the questions in the screening process), should not come to school until they are symptom free.

This IS NOT related to vaccination, rather it is a health and safety measure to ensure that those with COVID-like symptoms do not come to school until they are symptom-free.

We hope this provides clarification.



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[Email result](#)

Figure 1 Sample Screenshot