

August 23, 2020

We appreciate the patience and understanding that our community has afforded us as we continue to prepare for school re-opening in a rapidly changing landscape and acknowledge the uncertainty and anxiety that parents/guardians are faced with as we approach the start of the 2020-21 school year.

In this regard, we have posted an updated set of [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) on our [Return to School webpage](#) that we hope will answer some of the lingering concerns that you may have. We will be updating this document as new information comes forward.

Additionally, DPCDSB will initiate a staggered start to the school year in both the elementary and secondary panels.

As well, we will be following our public health authorities' recent recommendation that all students in Grades 1 to 12 be required to wear a mask or face covering while indoors at school. Public health has further indicated that the wearing of masks or face coverings is strongly recommended in Kindergarten. Accommodations and exemptions will apply.

Details on the staggered start, wearing of masks and other updated information will be shared with DPCDSB families on Wednesday.

Again, thank you for your patience and understanding as we endeavour to ensure a safe, healthy and welcoming return to school environment for your child(ren).

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
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