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**Subject: Back-to-School Information – Update no. 3**

Dear SWLSB Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for taking the time to answer our survey regarding our Back-to-School plan. The final version will be sent to you shortly and will be available on our website.

**Preparing your child for back-to-school**

In just a few days, our school teams will be welcoming your child. Each school has a different back-to-school format, for example, some schools have opted for progressive entry while others are starting full-time. Therefore, as you prepare for the year ahead, it is important to carefully read the various communications you receive **from your child's school**. Here are some **key reminders**:

- Review and practice hygiene measures with your child;
- Ensure your child brings two (2) masks/face coverings to school. They may use a pouch or plastic bag for transportation and storage;
- Label your child's school belongings and material;
- Ensure your child brings their own reusable water bottle;
- Consult the resources available on our [website](#).

In addition to the above, **teachers and staff will**:

- Reinforce and maintain teaching hygiene measures and routines;
- Pay attention to potential remediation requirements resulting from last term's school closures;
- Focus on reviewing essential learnings;
- Be attentive to the social-emotional needs of students.

**Transportation**

During the summer break and until recently, there have been many changes of address and bus route updates that consequently may have an impact on the pick-up and drop-off times at each bus stop. Please **verify your child's transportation information 24 to 48 hours before the first day of school** on the [Mozaik Parent Portal](#). ([Click here for instructions](#) to access bus information)

**Additional Information**

**High schools**

As mentioned in our Back-to-School plan, all our high schools offering secondary 4 & 5 services have opted for [option 1 from the MEES Back-to-school plan](#), which is 100% of students returning to class.

Respecting the government's directives and creating stable groups will necessarily have an impact on option courses. Secondary 1, 2 and 3 students will remain in regular classes (no enriched classes) for core subject areas (English-French-Math). However, as always, rest assured that teachers will adapt to students' needs. For secondary 4 and 5, pre-requisites for CEGEP programs will be offered.



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## Annual General Assembly (AGA)

Starting tomorrow until September 18, all elementary and high schools will be holding their Annual General Assembly (AGA), either online or in person. We strongly encourage parents to attend as this assembly is a great way to get involved within your respective school. Governing Board elections for parents' representatives also takes place at the AGA. Each school will inform their respective community of the date and meeting parameters regarding their assembly.

## Mozaïk Parent Portal

The Mozaïk Parent Portal is a useful tool for parents to stay in touch with their child's school as it allows access to various information such as schedules, homework, messages, absences, etc. **Training sessions on how to use the Mozaïk Parent Portal are being planned for parents this fall.** More information to follow. In the meantime, you can view the following video <https://portailparents.ca/accueil/en/aide.htm> . In order to sign in to the Mozaïk Parent Portal, you need to use the same email address you provided to your child's school.

By working collaboratively, we will ensure a safe back-to-school. Everyone has a role to play, and if we continue to work together, we will continue to be successful as a SWLSB community. Communicating and being solution-oriented are essential. As usual, do not hesitate to contact your school /centre should you have any questions.

We are stronger together.



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