



December 17, 2020

**Subject: Information to parents – Update #10**

Dear SWLSB Families,

Following Wednesday's Premier's press conference, new measures were announced to continue limiting the spread of the COVID19 virus.

**DECLARING COVID-19 CASES DURING THE HOLIDAYS**

Although our buildings are closed during the holidays, we must continue to monitor the COVID cases and isolation cases in our schools and centres as per Ministry requirements. Therefore, parents/guardians are asked to complete a [COVID-19 declaration form](#) during the holiday period **if your child**:

- **Tests positive to COVID-19** or
- Was in **contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 and must isolate**

This information is sent in all confidentiality to the school board's COVID team who must keep track of cases in partnership with each CISSS on our territory (even during the holidays). The link to this form is also available in the COVID-19 section of the school board [website](#). Your continued collaboration will maintain and support our efforts in keeping our schools and centres safe upon your child's return in January.

**BEFORE AND AFTER HOLIDAY MEASURES**

- **December 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> and January 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>** | All students remain home and will come back to school in person on January 11<sup>th</sup> 2021.
  - **High school and AEVT** students will be doing distance education.
  - **Elementary** school students will be provided with work and contacted by their teachers/school team on a daily basis.
- **December 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> and Week of January 4<sup>th</sup>** | Emergency daycare services will be offered to frontline workers. If you are a frontline worker, you can register for emergency daycare by [clicking here](#).
- **Pedagogical tools available for students:** In addition to the work provided by each teacher, students may access the following additional resources:
  - SWLSB Learning Backpack <https://backpack.swlsb.ca/>
  - MEQ Open School <https://www.ecoleouverte.ca/en/>
  - En classe Télé-Québec: <https://enclasse.telequebec.tv/>
  - Matière à emporter : <https://www.matieresamporter.ca/primaire/cycle-1/anglais/> (English activities)


**HOLIDAYS**

These past few months have certainly been challenging in many ways and the holidays can be a difficult period. Should you need support during this period, please know that the following resources are available to all families:

- Info-Social 811: <https://www.quebec.ca/en/health/finding-a-resource/info-social-811/>
- COVID-19 resources for youth, students and young adults ([click here](#))
- Kids Help Phone: [www.kidshelpphone.ca](http://www.kidshelpphone.ca)
- Help concerning drug use and addiction: [www.trouvetoncentre.com/en/#](http://www.trouvetoncentre.com/en/#)

We hope this holiday break brings peace, joy and health to you and your family. [Click here](#) to view our holiday message.

Thank you for your resilience and ongoing support these past few months.

  
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