

Joliette Elementary

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Dear Parents

Joliette Elementary is preparing for the transition back to school. The first day will be Tuesday, September 1. As we did last spring, we will be following guidelines from the Santé Publique du Québec and The Ministry of Education to ensure a safe and calm environment for your child to catch-up on and continue with the learning of essential knowledge.

Attendance at school is mandatory unless your child or a member of the family has a medical condition considered valid for exemption. The School Board will provide forms to be filled out by a medical practitioner, if this is the case. Online learning will be offered only to students whose medical exemption form has been reviewed and accepted by the School Board according to Government guidelines. Please call or email me if you have questions.

General Information:

Daily Schedule:

Time	Activity
8:55-9:10	Supervision
9:10	Arrival
9:10—9:20	Homeroom
9:20—10:20	Period 1
10:20—11:20	Period 2
11:20—11:40	Recess
11:40—12:40	Period 3
12:40—13:40	Lunch
13:40—14:40	Period 4
14:40-15:00	Recess
15:00-16:00	Period 5

Hygiene:

Students use hand sanitizer on arrival every morning and when leaving every afternoon. Hand sanitizer is available by each classroom door. We will also use soap and water (sinks in almost all classrooms and the washrooms). Homeroom teachers will continually review all hygiene procedures with students.

Students in Grade 5 & 6 must wear face coverings on the bus, and in hallways and other common areas.

Teachers will wear face-covering or procedural (blue) masks most of the time as well as a face shield or googles when close to children.

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Classroom:

Each group is assigned a Homeroom as usual. All subjects are taught in this classroom except for Physical Education and Health, which takes place outside or in the gymnasium. Hallway coat hooks and baskets will not be used. Students will have all belongings in the classroom with them. The library will be closed; Pre-School to Grade 2 will have bags for books and Grades 3 to 6 will have our librarian visit their class each week.

Students in the same class can interact freely but their teacher should remain at 2 meters distance. Teachers must wear a mask and eye covering when they are close to students.

Attendants and Special Education Technicians will be available to assist the teachers and wear protective equipment.

Recess & Lunch

Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten will have a separate recess from all other students.

Each student will have one indoor and one outdoor recess per day. Students will remain with their homeroom during recess as the yard will be divided into sections.

All students will eat lunch in their classroom.

There will be pre-packaged Breakfast Club snacks for all students.

Catered hot meals and Tuesday pizza will continue.

Dismissal:

Students will wait for buses and parent pick-up outside whenever possible (very heavy rain is the only exception). Parents are asked to follow the social distancing markers on the sidewalk.

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Items Children will Need:

- School supplies marked with his/her name
- A smaller school bag
- A mask for grade 5 and 6. Two preferably. Students in other classes can also wear a mask if they wish.
- A lunch box. Students must bring their lunch and snacks until the hot lunch program begins. No microwaves are available.
- A water bottle filled. No water fountains will be open; bottles will be refilled when necessary during the day.
- Unscented hand moisturizer (optional)
- Comfortable shoes. Students will not be changing shoes.
- A jacket if needed to wear outside and at times rain boots. Students will be going outside to learn and play, rain or shine.
- Pre-K to Grade 2 a full change of clothes in a plastic bag marked clearly with your child's name for those little accidents or wet socks!

Please make sure to wash the masks and water bottle each evening.

Parents & Visitors:

Parents are not permitted in the school unless a meeting is absolutely required. All parents and visitors must report directly to the office because Public Health demands that we record the presence of everyone at school. Please call or email us for information.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this challenging time. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Dan Tremblay Principal