

## **Message to families – March 12, 2020**

“The safety of students and staff is our priority,” said Rick Petrella, Chair of the Board. “Information from the World Health Organization, the Public Health Agency of Canada and our two local public health units pertaining to Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), guides the Board in the day-to-day operations of a school site, as well as decision making at the Board level.

We feel it is important for families to understand that we take guidance from our local Medical Officers of Health. Decisions such as increased sanitization practices and/or school closures are derived from direction we receive from health specialists taking care of our community.

Please know that the Board has many protocols and procedures that direct activities such as cleaning practices. Families can be assured that we are doing everything that we can to ensure that our schools and buildings are being maintained to the highest level.”

~Rick Petrella, Chair of the Board