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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Over the past few days, there have been a number of media reports about something called the "Momo Challenge." This "challenge" is found online and allegedly encourages children, through social media messaging apps, to carry out dangerous tasks, such as harming themselves or others. Quite frankly, we are receiving conflicting reports over what this "challenge" truly entails or if it is even real. While we would never want to perpetuate a hoax, given the significant amount of media coverage and the number of questions we are receiving from staff, parents and students, we felt this was an opportunity to remind parents and children about online safety in today's digital world.

In the TDSB, schools have been made aware of these reports and can provide further classroom support and encourage good digital citizenship. School social workers are also available should any mental health supports be needed.

Parental awareness and involvement is an important piece too. Being aware of potentially harmful online trends and explaining them to your child in an age appropriate way is valuable. We encourage parents/guardians to keep the dialogue open with your children about their mental health and emotional well-being. Making your home a safe space for these conversations will help ensure your child feels comfortable bringing their questions and concerns forward.

Additionally, the following list can help you keep your children safe while online:

- Make sure the protection features of websites and software your children use are activated. There are tools available through your Internet Service Provider (ISP) to help you manage your children's online experience (i.e. appropriate Websites, amount of time spent online, who can and cannot contact them). It might also include other security features, such as pop-up ad blockers.
- Get to know the online environments your children use and teach them how to deal with inappropriate material.
- Keep an eye on the sites they're visiting by keeping the computer in a common area like the kitchen.
- Talk to them about the implications of posting inappropriate pictures, saying disparaging things about other people and anything else that could damage a reputation or ruin a friendship.
- Remind them that the Internet is a public space. Things they do and say now on social networking sites could have implications down the road when they're looking for summer employment (employers often search personal profiles for information about candidates).
- If your child is using live text and voice chats for online games, warn them not to give personal information to a stranger.

You may find some additional tips at www.prevnet.ca

As always, should you have any questions or concerns about your child's well-being, please reach out to the school Principal.

Sincerely,

John Malloy

Director of Education

This document contains important information. Please take it to someone who can read English or to your School Office so that they can arrange for an interpreter or translation.

Arabic	يتضمن هذا المستند معلومات هامة. برجاء الذهاب بها لشخص يمكنه قراءة اللغة الإنجليزية أو إلى مكتب إدارة المدرسة/ الكلية حتى يمكنه اتخاذ الترتيبات الخاصة يتوفير مترجم.
Bengali	এই ভকুমেণ্টে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ কিছু তথ্য আছে। দয়া করে এমন একজনের কাছে এটি নিয়ে যান বিনি ইংরোজি পভূতে পারেন, অধবা আপনার স্কুল অফিসে যান যেন তাঁরা একজন দোভাষী বা অনুবাদকের স্ববস্থা করতে পারেন।
Chinese - Simplified	此文件含有重要资讯。请找一能阅读英文的人替你翻译或将文件带到你的学校办事 外以保他们能畅你实排—口译品或翻译品。
Chinese - Traditional	此文件含有重要資訊。請找一能閱讀英文的人替你翻譯或將文件帶到你的學校辦事 處以便他們能替你安排一口譯員或翻譯員。
Dari	آشنا به زبان انگلیسی بخواهید که اطلاعات را برای شما بخواند یا از دفتر مدرسه درخواست نمایید که با یک مترجم قرار بگذارند.
Farsi/Persian	این مدرک حاوی مطالب مهمی است. نطفاً از کسی که انگلیسی می داند بخواهید تا آثر ا برای شما بخواند، یا آثرا به دفتر مدرسه (فرزندتان) ببرید تا یک مترجم را برای خواندن آن ترتیب دهند.
French	Le présent document contient des renseignements importants. Veuillez le montrer à une personne qui comprend l'anglais écrit ou le présenter au bureau de votre école qui prendra les dispositions requises pour engager un interprète ou un traducteur.
Greek	Το παρόν έγγραφο περιέχει σημαντικές πληροφορίες. Δώστε το σε κάποιον που διαβάζει και κατανοεί αγγλικά ή αποταθείτε στο γραφείο Διεύθυνσης του Σχολείου σας, το οποίο θα φροντίσει να σάς προσφέρει υπηρεσίες διερμηνείας ή μετάφρασης.
Gujarati	આ દરતાવજમા પણ જ મહત્વના માહિતો છે. મહેરભાના કરોને જ અગ્રેજી વાંચી શકતા હોય અથવા તો શાળાના આફિસમા લઈ જાવ જેવી કરીને તેઓ ઈન્ટરપ્રીટર અથવા ટ્રન્સલેટરની સગવડ કરી શકે.
Hindi	इस दस्तावेज़ में महत्वर्पूण जानकारी है। कृपया इस को किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति के पास ले जांए जो अंग्रेज़ी पढ़ सकता हो या अपने स्कूल के आफिस में ले जांए ताकि वह किसी दुभाषिए या अनुवादक का प्रबन्ध कर सकें।
Hungarian	Ez az irat fontos információkat tartalmaz. Kérjük mutassa meg valakinek, aki ért angolul vagy vigye be az Iskola Hivatalába, hogy ott tudjanak egy tolmácsot vagy fordítót szerezni.
Korean	이 문서에는 중요한 정보가 들어 있습니다. 영어를 읽을 수 있는 사람에게 도움을
	청하거나, 학교 사무실에 가져가서 통역사나 번역사를 주선해달라고 하십시오.
Ojibway	DDL L'adbob DVADbU ∇ PPDC-bb - Δ oCL9- Δ o, d - ∇ Do Δ d PFab bot'C- Δ ab Δ 0-
Portuguese	Este documento contém informações importantes. Leve-o para alguém que fale inglês ou para a diretoria da sua escola para que eles possam lhe encaminhar a um intérprete ou tradutor.

Punjabi	ਇਸ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਵਿੱਚ ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਹੈ। ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਕਿਸੇ ਇਹੋ ਜਿਹੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਕੌਲ ਲੈ ਜਾਓ ਜਿਹੜਾ ਅੰਗ੍ਰੇਜ਼ੀ ਪੜ ਸੱਕਦਾ ਹੋਵੇ ਜਾਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਲੈ ਜਾਓ ਤਾਂ ਜੋ ਉਹ ਕਿਸੇ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ਿਏ ਜਾਂ ਅਨੁਵਾਦਕ ਦਾ ਇੰਤਜ਼ਾਮ ਕਰ ਸੱਕਣ।
Romanian	Acest document contine informatii importante. Va rugam sa-l aratati cuiva care stie englezeste sau sa veniti cu el la secretariatul scolii. Scoala va face demersuri pentru un interpret sau o traducere a documentului.
Russian	Данный документ содержит важную информацию. Пожалуйста, покажите его кому-либо, кто читает по-английски, или зайдите в секретариат школы, чтобы Вам обеспечили помощь переводчика.
Somali	Warqaddan waxaa ku jira xogwarran muhim ah. Fadlan u geyso ruux luqadda Ingiriisiga yaqaano oo kuu akhriyo ama Xafiiska Iskuulka la socodsii si uu kuugu diyaariyo ruux kuu fasiro xogwarranka warqaddan.
Spanish	Este documento contiene información importante. Por favor lléveselo a alguien que pueda leer ingles o a la oficina de su escuela de manera que ellos puedan hacer los arreglos necesarios para proveerle los servicios de un interprete o de un traductor.
Tagalog	Ang dokumentong ito ay naglalaman ng mahalagang impormasyon. Mangyaring dalhin ito sa isang tao na nakapagbabasa ng Ingles o sa Opisina ng iyong eskwelahan upang makakuha ng isang interpreter o translator.
Tamil	இந்தப் பத்திரம் முக்கியமான தகவலைக் கொண்டுள்ளது. தயவுசெய்து இதனை அங்கிலம் வாசிக்கத் தெரிந்த ஒருவரிடம் அல்லது ஒரு மொழிபெயர்ப்பானரை ஒழுங்கு செய்வதற்கு உதவியாக உங்கள் பாடசாலை அலுவலகத்திற்கு எடுத்துச் செல்லுங்கள்.
Urdu	اس نمنڈلویز میں اہم مطومات ہیں. ہر اہ کرم اسے کسی انگریزی پڑ ہ سکنے والے شخص کے پاس یا اپنے اسکول کے دفتر میں لے جائیں تاکہ وہ کسی ترجمان یا سرجم کا انتظام کر سکیں۔
Vietnamese	Tài liệu này có các thông tin quan trọng. Hãy mang tài liệu này đến cho một người nào biết đọc tiếng Anh hay đến Văn Phòng Nhà Trường để họ có thể sắp xếp một thông dịch viên hay phiên dịch viên.