

CORVETTE PUBLIC SCHOOL



Corvette News Online # 1

Sunday, September 5, 2021

First Day of School - **Thursday, September 9, 2021**



School bell rings at **9:20 AM**

Our Theme This Year

As we **return** may we all **rediscover** the wonders of our school and the magic of curiosity and learning. As we **reconnect**, may we find that which brings us comfort - friendships, laughter, belonging and community.

return • rediscover
reconnect
Corvette 21-22



retourner • redécouvrir
se retrouver
Corvette 21-22



Appreciation

A great big thank you to our Corvette education teams for preparing and setting up learning spaces for your children this past week!

A great big thank you to the Grounds Department for tilling and putting new sand in our Kindergarten sand pit!



Video from Karlo Cabrera - Originally Posted August 29, 2021



If the video does not automatically play, please click here:

<https://youtu.be/Cw28bvozUdM>

Office Hours

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Thursday, September 9, 2021 - onwards

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Ms. Lenius | Ms. Chan

Office Administrator | Office Secretary



Upcoming Events

Sep 7 and 8 - PA Days for School staff

Sep 9 - First Day of School for All Students - 9:20 AM

Sep 13 - Welcome Back to School virtual assembly

Sep 13 - Snack Program Forms are sent home

Sep 14 - Guided Fire Drill

Sep 17 - Learn Outside Day

Sep 21 - Guided Lock Down / Shelter in Place Drill

Sep 30 - Orange Shirt Day @ Corvette



First Day Routine

Preparing for the First Day

In preparation for the first day of school, please note:

- An email will be sent to families on the afternoon of **Tuesday, September 7** informing families of their child's teacher for the 2021/22 school year
- The email will indicate where to line up in the Corvette pavement area for entry
- The email will also indicate your child's Cohort Name and their lunch period

If you do not receive this communication by Tuesday evening, please email karlo.cabrera@tdsb.on.ca.



WEAR YOUR



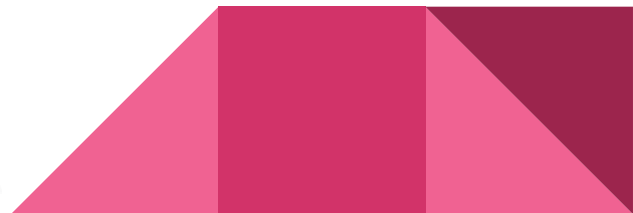
MASK



**wash
your
hands!**



**KEEP YOUR
DISTANCE**



TDSB Student Health Pass



COVID-19 Screening for children/students

Please complete before entering the child care/JK-12 school setting.

Updated Sept. 1, 2021

1. Does the child/student have any of the following new or worsening symptoms?***



Fever > 37.8°C and/or chills



Cough



Difficulty breathing



Decrease or loss of taste/smell



Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

• If the child/student has a health condition diagnosed by a health care provider that gives them the symptom, select "No". If the symptom is new, different or getting worse, select "Yes".

If "YES" to any symptom:



Stay home & self-isolate



Get tested

Or



Contact a health care provider

One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our schools, is for [students](#) to screen themselves daily for any symptoms of COVID-19 and also follow the circumstances in which they should stay home.

Students and families will need to screen themselves each morning.

Parents should sign their child's [TDSB Student Health Pass](#) **daily** before arriving at school. **Their child will need to present this to their teacher each morning.**

For more information, please contact your health care provider or Telehealth Ontario at [1 866-797-0000](tel:18667970000).

2. Does anyone in your household have one or more symptoms of COVID-19 and/or are waiting for test results after having symptoms?

- If the child/student is fully vaccinated* or has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days and been cleared, select "No".

Yes

No

3. In the last 10 days, has the child/student tested positive on a rapid antigen test or a home-based self-testing kit?

- If they have since tested negative on a lab-based PCR test, select "No".

Yes

No

4. Has the child/student been notified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 or been told to stay home and self-isolate?

- If the child/student is fully vaccinated* or has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days and been cleared or public health has said the child/student does not have to self-isolate, select "No".

Yes

No

5. In the last 14 days, has the child/student travelled outside of Canada AND been advised to quarantine per the [federal quarantine requirements](#)?

Yes

No

If "YES" to questions 2,3,4 or 5:



Stay home & self-isolate



Follow public health advice



* Fully vaccinated means 14 days or more after getting a second dose of a two dose COVID-19 vaccine series or one dose of a single dose series.

**Anyone who is sick or has any symptoms of illness should stay home and seek assessment from their health care provider if needed.

This revised Toronto Public Health screening does take into account COVID vaccine status of students (aged 12+).

This revised Toronto Public Health screening does indicate that if family members experience one or more of COVID-19 symptoms then the student should also stay home, and self isolate.

Together we can help our community, school, students and staff be safe and healthy!

We can do this together!

TDSB Student Health Pass

Corvette students will receive a copy of the TDSB Student Health Pass and Screening Questionnaire on the first day of school.

Please go through the student health pass with your child daily, sign it and send it with your child to school.

Your child will present this signed portion to their teacher each morning before entry to school.

TDSB Student Health Pass

The most important thing families can do to help slow the spread of COVID-19, is to screen their children daily for any COVID-19 symptoms and keep them home from school if they are sick or have had close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19.

Review this COVID-19 checklist daily with your child. Sign* below each day to confirm that your child or anyone else in the household does not have any symptoms or have other exposure to COVID-19. We all have a role in keeping our schools safe and healthy.

Student Name : _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

** Parent/Guardian of Kindergarten to Grade 8 students to sign. High school and adult students can sign themselves.*



School News

Corvette Daily Schedule

9:20 AM

Entry Bell

Lunch will vary depending on your child's class cohort.

An email will be sent out to all families on Tuesday afternoon naming your child's teacher, door entry location and line up location.

3:40 PM

Dismissal Bell



Safe Arrival

Student well-being and safety are top priorities at our school. One important measure we take is our Safe Arrival Program, which helps to ensure students have arrived at school safely and when expected.

If your child is going to be late or absent for any reason, it is important that you contact the office immediately and report the reason for the absence.

At the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) we have an automated call-out system. If your child is late or absent, without informing the school ahead of time, the call-out system will attempt to contact you.



Our School Organization (as of Sept 2/21)

English Stream	French Immersion	Virtual Learning
Kindergarten A, B, C, D Grade 1 / 2 A and B Grade 2 / 3 A and B Grade 3 Grade 4 A and B Grade 5 Grade 5 / 6 A and B	Kindergarten E Grade 1 / 2 C and D Grade 2 / 3 C Grade 3 / 4 Grade 4 / 5 Grade 5 / 6	VL Grade ½ VL Grade 3 VL Grade 4 / 5 (French Imm) VL Gr 5



Welcome

As we return to school, we would like to welcome back many of the Corvette teachers who taught virtually last school year!

Simultaneously, we welcome the following staff members who are new to Corvette this year:

- Mme. Lobo-Molnar
- Mr. Phinnemore
- Ms. Amalrajah
- Ms. Altimari



Virtual Learning

This year, Corvette Jr PS will be hosting four virtual classrooms, Grades $\frac{1}{2}$, 3, and 5 (English) and a Grade $\frac{4}{5}$ (French Immersion).

Corvette Jr PS will be the virtual home to students across the city enrolled in the above classes! The teachers will be physically housed in Corvette teaching online classes.

We welcome all families to Corvette and invite you to join us in many different virtual family engagement opportunities as possible throughout the year.



School Bus for Students in French Immersion



From September 9 to September 14, 2021 – only students with special education needs (excluding those in the gifted program) who travel to school on mini buses, mini vans, taxis and Wheelchair accessible vehicles will be provided with student transportation.

Starting September 15, 2021 –all other eligible students will be provided with student transportation, unless there is a significant driver shortage or other unforeseen issues related to COVID-19.

School Bus for Students in French Immersion



Empty Seat Policy

Once again, the TDSB's [Empty Seat Policy](#) (PR504) **has been put on hold** for the 2021-22 school year to help promote physical distancing on school busses, as well as to help the TSTG and bus operators effectively plan bus routes and seating arrangements in line with the COVID-19 health and safety precautions.



Uniforms

Uniforms **will not** be mandatory this school year.

We will leave it up to families if they wish their children to wear the uniform, clothes that have school colours of grey and navy blue, or non-uniform wear.

To support students and families who decide to wear the uniform this year, I will wear a Corvette crested white shirt from time to time.

Please read the TDSB's Student Dress Policy at:

<http://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/98/204.pdf>



EXPRESS YOURSELF

AND RESPECT OUR SHARED SPACES



- **Tops:** shirt, T-shirt, sweater, vest, midriff-baring shirt, tank top, spaghetti straps, halter tops, tube top, backless top
- **Bottoms:** pants, jeans, sweatpants, shorts, skirts, dresses, leggings, fitted pants, yoga pants, ripped jeans
- **Headwear (cannot cover your face):** hats, du-rags, bandanas, hoodies, creed-based headwear



Anything that promotes or symbolizes:

- Hate
- Discrimination
- Illegal Activity
- Profanity
- Violence
- Drugs and Alcohol
- or threatens health & safety



Please [click here](#) to read the full Student Dress Policy.

Please [click here](#) to download the Express Yourself poster.



READ THE FULL STUDENT DRESS POLICY (P042) ONLINE AT WWW.TDSB.ON.CA

Outdoor Recess

Please send your children dressed for the weather.

Other than a downpour, all Corvette students will be going outside for two recesses each day. Each recess will be 40 minutes in length!



Water Bottles

Water fountains cannot be used this year.

Corvette has installed numerous water bottle fill stations throughout the school and students are encouraged to bring and use reusable water bottles. Water bottle fill stations are accessible throughout the school year.



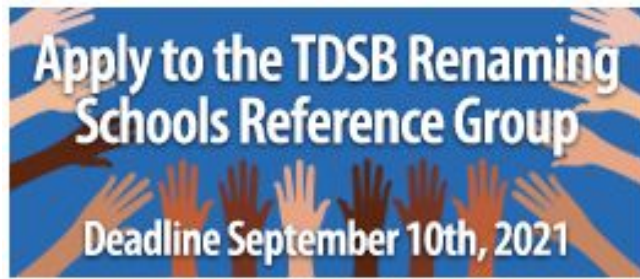
School Board News

Pedestrian Safety Tip



Children under ten should be accompanied by adults or older children when crossing the street. At this age, their judgment and perceptual skills are still immature, yet they often eagerly try to cross streets on their own in order to demonstrate some independence. Learn more <https://bit.ly/2ETzMO5>.

Teach children how to cross the street safely. Teach them to stop (before stepping onto the road), look left, right and left again, and listen for traffic before stepping out into the street. Teach children to wait until the street is clear and to keep looking until they have crossed the street. They should also look the driver in the eye before crossing.



The Toronto District School Board is coordinating the establishment of the Renaming Schools Reference Group. This volunteer group will be engaging in establishing a framework to lead the renaming of TDSB locations and schools.

Engaging in a process to rename a school is an acknowledgement of the need to reimagine the relationship between the school and the community. It considers both the historical and present-day significance of both the people and the space where the school resides.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Reference Group, please [click here](#) for more information.

The 2021/2022 School Year

The provincial government has released their preliminary guidance – [COVID-19: Health, safety and operational guidance for schools \(2021-2022\)](#) – for the upcoming school year.

This plan contains high level guidance for school boards to follow. The TDSB will continue to work with Toronto Public Health and with employee groups to develop specific operational plans for TDSB – details that provide more information on how our schools and administrative centres will create and maintain health and safety measures and procedures that need to be in place when school resumes in September.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/School-Year-2021-22>





Health and Safety @ Corvette

What will schooling look like?

We understand that families have a lot of questions about what school will look like as the 9th of September nears. **This week several two to three minute videos will be shared with families about what schooling will look like for students attending the face to face learning at Corvette Jr PS.**

Please watch these videos with your children as a way for them to anticipate school and begin to learn and relearn routines that will be set in place to keep all students and staff safe and healthy.



How far apart is 2 m?

The Toronto Public Health has indicated the need to physically distance 2 meters apart from non family / non bubble members.

Staff will reinforce these ideas at school.

It is important to begin to teach students what a 2 metre distance looks like.

Spray painted dots will be all over the school yard to illustrate this distance.

COVID-19
Novel Coronavirus

Help stop the spread of
COVID-19.

**Please keep your
physical distance**



- Physical distancing means keeping 2 metres apart from others

Residents are reminded to use credible, evidence-based sources of information about this new coronavirus. Toronto Public Health's website is updated regularly as new information becomes available to help keep residents informed about COVID-19.

Visit toronto.ca/COVID19




What is a cohort?

You will hear and read the word “cohort” quite a lot this year. A cohort is simply a group of students who will remain together throughout the school day. A cohort will be lead by a teacher (and an Early Childhood Educator in JKSK or a Special Needs Assistant, where applicable).

The intent is to limit the number of people your child will meet throughout the day. Your child’s class will most likely be cohorted with another class during recesses. The cohort cannot be larger than 50 students.

Students will be taught to monitor and leave spaces between each other during recess.



Wearing a Cloth Mask

All staff and students (K-6) are expected to wear a mask or a cloth mask while inside the school (**e.g., learning spaces, hallways, washrooms**).

We ask you to please send your child to school with at least 2 snug fitting masks daily. One for the morning and another for the afternoon.

Please **label** your child's mask.

For more information, please read:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/docs/COVID-19MaskProcedure-PR730-completeset.pdf>



HOW TO WEAR A CLOTH MASK



- ✓ Do wash your hands before putting it on and taking it off
- ✓ Do make sure it fits comfortably over mouth and nose for easy breathing
- ✓ Do wash your cloth mask after each use in the laundry
- ✓ Do clean surfaces that a dirty mask touches
- ✗ Don't touch your face or mask while using it
- ✗ Don't use masks on children under 2 or those who can't breathe with them on
- ✗ Don't share your mask with others
- ✗ Don't wear medical masks, keep them for health care workers

You still need to:



Keep a 2m distance



Wash hands often


TORONTO

Visit toronto.ca/COVID19

Visiting the School

To maintain a safe environment, in most cases those entering school buildings will be staff, students and other essential individuals (e.g. Health & Safety Inspector).

Families who require a meeting with a teacher/school staff to discuss non-emergency issues will do so by phone or virtually where possible. Please call the school at 416-396-6180 or email the teacher or the Principal/Vice Principal directly. A virtual appointment will be made.





Community News



PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

Don't forget your COVID-19 vaccine for members of your household that are 12+



Practice properly putting on, wearing & taking off a mask



Teach your child proper handwashing, coughing & sneezing etiquette



Remind them not to share their mask or other personal items



Discuss keeping a physical distance as much as possible



Complete a health screening every day before going to school



Keep your child home if they are sick & get them tested



 **SCARBOROUGH COVID-19
VACCINE CLINIC**

For more information on COVID 19 Vaccines, please visit

<http://scarbvaccine.ca>



We Offer Care for Infant to School-Age
416-266-4990

We currently have spaces in our program for:
Infant (birth) to Toddlers (18 months)

*Open 12 months a year from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

*Nutritious morning and afternoon snacks offered

*Trained and experienced RECE educators who will provide an environment that meets the individual needs of your child

*Located within Corvette P.S.

*Subsidies available through City of Toronto

Early ON

Child and Family Centre

In - Person Outdoor Stroller walk around the Corvette Park, (following COVID- 19 policies and the City's guidelines) starting in September, for parents with children birth to 3 years old.

Please [click here](#) to register.



Connecting with the School

Telephone

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corvette@tdsb.on.ca

Website

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/corvette>

Twitter

https://twitter.com/TDSB_Corvette

